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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 37

Part B for Jany 25.

SUBJECT

Question of shifting Messrs. Nobels Explosives Magazines at Kethumaranahalli in Bangalore Taluk.

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Jc 4560-28 8.1.25

To

Rev. Commr in Mysore

Chief Inspector of Mysore

Dt. Magistrate B'lore Dt

Approves of the shifting of the

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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File No. 22-23

FILE HEADING.

Question of shifting Messrs Nobels. Explosives Magazines at Kettimaranhalli in Bangalore Dt.

From

No.	Dated		Received
Diary No.	Enclos.	Spare Copies.	Serial No.

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

Genl File No. 22 of 1923.

Serial No.	
1	From the Ch. I. Mines. D.O. 1992 & 20-6-23. Forwards for orders copies of correspondence relating to the question of removal & rebuilding of Messrs Nobels Explosives Magazines, Kettamaranhalli, Bangalore city. 1 Forwarded with compliments. The matter is a serious one. The Chief Inspector of Mines spoke to me about it when he came & saw me at Bangalore about four weeks ago. I have tramped over this part of the country and know the locality fairly well. There is considerable force in the view put forward by the Chief Insp. of Mines. The Deputy Commissioner might be written to and asked what the position is. An early decision is necessary in the interests of general safety. (Intl) P.R. 23-6-23. Revenue Secretary (Genl & Mining) 2 (Intl) K. L. G. 24-6-23. 3. Early (Intl) M.S.R. 24-6 4 Submitted with a draft Approved. 27-6-23. (Intl) M.R. 27-6-23. 5 Issued
2	To The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore &c. 7815 & 27-6-23. Forwards for reference & return copies of correspondence on the above subject & requests him to state the present position & furnish his opinion on the matter.

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3	From the Executive Engineer of Mines D.O. 71 & 16-7-23. Regrets that a meeting of the parties at which the Dt Magte of Bangalore & Exch. & Mines being present maybe called for to discuss & settle the matter.
	2 The report called for from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore ot the 27-6-23 has not yet been received. Submitted with reference. (Initd) MSS 17-7.
7	D O signed by the Member is placed in the file for time. (Initd) MSS 20-7.
	From Suppl & Rte Branch. with compliments.
4	To the same officer. D.O. 398 & 20-7-23. Requests that a note on the subject may be furnished & states that orders will issue on receipt of the report called for from the D.C. of Bangalore.
5	From the same officer. D.O. 106 & 23-7-23. Forwards a note on the subject called for.
8	The papers relating to the case may be submitted with a note for my personal orders. (Initd) K.R.S. 24-7
	Revenue Secretary with compliments. Industries & Commerce (Initd) K.R.S. 24-7-23 (Initd) MSS 24-7

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	10 copies of correspondence on the subject received from the Chief Inspector of Mines have been forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dt for reference & return with his reply. As the report called for has not been received, a draft reminder is submitted. sd. 25-7-23.
	481 & 25-7-23. 631 & 27-8-23 631 & 3-8-23.
6	From the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dt Gc 228 & 13-8-23. Requests that a copy of letter & 27-6-23 may be sent for reference, as the original cannot be traced in his office. 12 Submitted with a draft sd 15-8-23
7	To The Deputy Commr, Bangalore Dist No. C 813 & 27-8-23. With reference to his letter & 13/8/23 forwarding Inspector of Mines letter No. C 7515 & 27/6/23 together with copies of correspondence on the subject and requesting them to furnish the information called for early & the latter to copies sent [illegible]

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	14 As the reply desd. from the Dy. Commissioner Bangalore is not yet been received, a dft reminder is put up. Asst 21.9.23.
rm4	15 Issue VS 21.9.23
	15 10 & 22-9-23.
	16 A draft reminder is put up as reply has not been received before the end of September 1923. Asst 3.10.23.
Prd	17 Issue VS 3.10.23
	Issued vide C 17 35 & 2 & 10 23
	18 No reply has yet been received. A draft reminder put up. Asst 23.10.23.
	19 Issue VS 23.10.23
	Reminder 2018 & 26-10-23 Reminder issued with no 3209 & 13-11-23.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND EXPLOSIVES.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES IN MYSORE.

D.O. No. 69 *Dated Oorgaum,* 4th December 1923. 5th

Dear Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with my D.O. No.106 dated 23rd July 1923, I beg to bring to your kind notice that the question of renewing the current Explosives Magazines Licenses in the State, for the year 1924, is now before me and I should like to know what has since transpired between Government and the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, in the matter of the removal and rebuilding of Messrs. Best & Co.'s Magazines at Ketmarnahalli, Bangalore Taluk, before recommending the renewal of their License for the coming year (1924).

Awaiting the favour of an early reply,

Yours sincerely,

R. Bocquet.

K. R. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., M.A.,
Second Member of Council,
Bangalore.

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Minute sheet noted by the Chief Inspector of Mines on the subject is kept in the file. The ~~official~~ reply Commissioner, Bangalore District has not been furnished his opinion on the subject though urged by D.O. reminders

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were sent to him. Another D.O. reminder is again submitted

AHS 10-12-23

22nd
For perusal. The reminder will issue if approved
Rev Secy) SMD 10/12
23
This is a very serious matter in which prompt action is necessary
May kindly put up a draft D.O. to the D.C. Sirsa in the case
11/12
SMD 11/12

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11.12.23

11 (Mon)
25 Draft put up.
SMD 13/12
13/12
SMD 13/12

26 Issue.
13.12.23

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To

The D.C. Bangalore.

No. C. 37668 dt 10/12/23

Sir,

I am to delay in replying the important matter is unsatisfactory. Please call for explanation of this before the 16th instant & request him to forward

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forward for the orders of Govt - the explanations of those responsible for the delay

From the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dt.
228/1923 dt 14-12-23.

States that as the Minerva Mills have consented to bear the cost of the construction of a new magazine at the site selected, the proposal may be sanctioned

2) The Chief Inspector of Mines requests that order may be issued prohibiting Messrs Simur & Co from constructing any more buildings in the close of the existing magazines until the question of the removal and rebuilding of the same has been settled and the new ones are built.

3) He also suggests that a meeting of the parties concerned maybe called for at which the Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore District and himself being present to settle the matter once for all

4) The Chief Inspector of Mines wants an early decision in the matter as the question of renewal of the licenses now is pending with him.

AHS. The Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore has not returned the copies of correspondence on the subject sent to him on 27-6-23 18-12-23.

30 A. For orders.
B. This may be done.
C. will be Called for

31 Rev Secy) SND
Plan put up a chart 9/1
note Report -

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32 The facts of the case are set forth in the note sent by the Bosquet (Page R) — It will be seen that the main point at issue is the shifting of Nobel's Explosives magazine from their present place to a distance of about 800 yards on account of the extension of the buildings of the Myanma Oil Co. of which the managing agents are Messrs. Shaw & Co.

33 The original Correspondence is not here but it is seen from the Copies of Correspondence sent by the Bosquet that Messrs Shaw & Co against a request to erect new buildings to the N.E. as their buildings were constructed at a point nearer than 1000 ft to the magazine and that the Director agreed that an earthen Rampart of sufficient thickness would afford necessary protection — (about 28th Feb 1923) At this Nobel's Messrs Shaw & Co. appear to have been unwilling to shift at their cost, the Explosives to a new site selected by the Bosquet — 800 ft off. 34

It is seen however from a copy of the letter of 7.7.1923 from Messrs Shaw & Co to the Nobel's Explosives Co (Page Y) that the former have agreed to rebuild the magazine 800 ft to the rear. They request that the exact locality may be pointed out & facilities given for the Construction.

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35 In yr letter of the 11th June 1923, the Nobel Explosives Company say that they are unable to give facilities to messrs Smith & Co with the absence of Dy Comr Sanchar for the removal and the subsequent absence of the plan -

36 From the papers now available it is clear that the surveying has not taken place and that it must be done soon on account of the expansion of the Minerva mills towards the magazine - Dy, as intimated by messrs Smith & Co to an Bocquet, the former have commenced the extension of the mills towards the magazines or are about to do so, immediate orders are called for to restrain them from doing so pending the final settlement of the question

37 The action now taken may perhaps be summarized as follows:-

(1) If messrs Smith & Co have commenced building towards the magazines, a notice has to issue to them restraining them. It is not understood why the Inspector himself should issue a notice. A notice or letter to messrs Smith & Co is called for.

(2) If or in that case the extension is proposed by the rules the 50 arrangement of having an earthen bank may be resorted to. An undertaking has to be taken on this point

(3) In case extension is considered necessary, the actual show of the

39 D.C should be asked to give a note of the Minerva mills to show the magazines at present and the proposed extension by a map of same within which buildings should not be erected.

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of the new magazines has been pointed out and permission & facilities given to the Rules to Construct them — The question of Cost also arises The new magazines here have the more elaborate than the original ones if they have to be in Accordance with Rules. It is a question why the Nobels explosives Should not be asked to bear a portion of the Cost — in view of the fact that the new buildings have been on a larger & better scale — These points may best be ~~have to be~~ Solved at a meeting of the agents of the two Companies, the Inspector and the Dist Magt as Suggested by Mr Bocquet.

38 While Sending his final Report Mr Bocquet may be asked to send the original Correspondence on the Subject. The Dy Com has not explained the delay Sd/Bocquet.

Rev Secy) SNR 20/1

40 The D.C.S. Belahi reply when has been obtained after several reminders does not throw any light on the main points at issue — The latter are:

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1. Ask the Minerva Mills agencate to rebuild the magazine in another place at their cost? A site has been selected by the Inspector of Explosives

2 If they are not agreeable, the Minerva Mills should be told that they should not build within 1000 feet of the magazine. The Insp says that the Mills have written to him that they will build in this 310 feet of the magazine & to this the Insp raises strong objections, of course The DC says does not show if these objections about building operations have actually been carried out

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The DC may be told that he should at once serve a notice on the managing agents of the Mills that they should not put up any buildings in the 1000 feet of the magazine, & that if any have been built, they should not be used until further orders. If the order is not obeyed

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The Managing Agents should be prosecuted under the Explosives Rules

2 The DC should be asked to enquire & report & what it will cost to remove the magazine to the new place selected by the Supdt of Explosives, & whether the Mills agree to pay it. The report should be obtained within a month

3 Pending disposal of No 2, the Supdt of Explosives may be informed that he may take steps to revoke the licence

A copy of the letter to the DC under '1' will also be sent to the Supdt of Explosives

20/12
SM 20/12

(1 Member)

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20.12.23

Please furnish a copy of the Rules according to which the Contractors within a prescribed distance from the magazine is proposed to be prosecuted &

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Engineer
Asst

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SM

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A

649
28-12-23

48
Submitted with a copy of the Rules as directed.
ADC
28-12-23.

SMD
28/12

52 (2nd member)
48 Return the Ruling with Memorandum by hand or by Messenger

dc
28/12

47
Submitted with a draft as directed.
ADC
5-1-24.

48
Draft as previously instructed.

SMD
5/1/24.

Rev Secy)
II Member) 49

50
Draft issued. may be issued at once

51
Draft issued to the D C & Secretary Commissioner Please to receive. A copy of the letter is sent herewith

dc 7/1
Issued
SMD
7/1

P. T. O.

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Serial No. 10

To

The District Magistrate
Bangalore Dist.

Memo. C 4137 dt 7/1/24

With reference to the request in this Memo. to please send a Report on certain points

I am directed to refer you to the Memo. cited and to request that the information called for may be furnished at an early date. This may be treated as urgent.

for
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SMR 24/1

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file 14-1-24

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BRANCH.

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11.1.24.

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D. [illegible]

REPLY

(To be written on this margin.)

No 357

OFFICE OF THE
SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL

NOTE

Dated .....11th January.....*1924*

Instructions given to the Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore at the meeting held in the Chambers of the Second Member of Council to-day

(1) The Deputy Commissioner will call a meeting of representatives of Messrs. Minerva Mill Company as well as Messrs Best & Co. At this meeting it should be ascertained if both of them are agreeable to the present magazine being shifted to some other unobjectionable locality the Minerva Mill Company bearing the entire cost of such removal. It should be made clear that the present magazine should not be pulled down till the new one is completed unless Messrs. Best and Co are prepared to make other arrangements to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Mines for storing explosives in the interval.

(2) If the two companies do not come to an understanding as stated above, the Minerva Mill Company should be informed that they ought not to put up any building within the prohibited distance from the magazine.

(3) If notwithstanding the warning the Minerva Mill Company do persist in putting up the building the District Magistrate will

will have to take action under the Criminal Procedure Code for stopping the construction with a view to safeguard the lives of the workmen and others employed in connection with the building from any accident that may happen to the magazine.

(4) In the case of Minerva ~~people~~ not being amenable to the advice and warning the desirability of resuming the land which had been acquired by Government and handed over to the Mills will have to be considered

Secunderabad
8/1/24

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 6th — I shall wait on you at 3 PM on the 11th instant as you desire. I remain

Yours sincerely

B. Seetharama Rao

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11 To the District Magistrate, Bangalore Dt 4276 & 12-1-24.
Forwards for necessary action a copy of the memo of instructions as a result of the meeting held on 11-1-24 at which the District Magistrate was present.

58 A draft demi-official requesting the District Magistrate of Bangalore to forward a report in the matter is put up.

Sd/ 17-1-24

By Issue
SMR 18/1

Issued. vide G.C 4374 & 19/1

12 From the Game Officer G.C 225/23-24 & 21-1-24.
States that he has written to the Chief Inspector of Mines & Explosives in the matter & that on receipt of a reply from him a meeting with the representatives of the two firms will be held & a report submitted to Govt.

Submitted for perusal.

Sd/ 23-1-24

61 The Dy Comr's proposal appears reasonable as the two firms are

Revenue) 62 SMR
II Branch 23/1

24-1-24

63 Yes. Please submit a report

SMR 23/1

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Issued 1-2-24

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SMR 26/1

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13	From the District Magistrate, Bangalore dt J.C. 228 of 23-24 & 6-2-24. Stated that a meeting was held on 5-2-24 that the application from Messrs Bell & Co for rebuilding of the magazines has been forwarded to the Chief Inspector of Mines for necessary action. 64 Assistant Secretary, Industries & Commerce Submit to Second Member with the main file. (Sd) K V A 8/2 (Sd) S.N.R 8/2
65	Submitted in the connected papers. Asst. 8-2-24. Perusal. SNR 8/2
2nd member 8-2-24.	67 Secy. The first Commr proposed by the D.C. may be accepted the may be reminded if it is not received from him 15th inst. SNR 9/2
14	From the District Magistrate, Bangalore dt J.C. 228 & 8-2-24 submits for information a copy of his addressed to the Chief Inspector of Mines regarding the proposal of Mr. Simon for the construction of ramps

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round the existing magazines at Kettamaranhalli
68 Asstt Secretary, Industries & Commerce.
please submit with references to the Member.

(Sd.) K.V.H.
11/2

69 Submitted with reference papers
Asst
11-2-24

70) Approved
SM
11/2

317
12.2.24

Rd Member)

71) Seen. Further reports may be
arranged

13/2

SM 13/2

15 From the District Magistrate, Bangalore.
GC 228/23-26 & 13-2-24
Forwards a copy of letter received from
Mr. DN Saha stating that it would be safer to
remove the Magazines further North etc.

72) Submitted
Asst.
14-2-24.

73) Approved -
SM 14/2

Rd Secy)
II Member)

74)

420
16.2.24.

75) Seen. As DN may be asked to
report early on the question from actual
tests if necessary and further report
submitted

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18/2

SM 18/2

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16	From the District Magistrate, Bangalore GC 228/23-24 dt 13-2-24 Forwards a copy of the communication received from the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore enquiring whether Messrs Simon & Co would construct an earthen mound round the existing magazines & states that a further report will be submitted in due course To be submitted with a draft as directed. AHH 19-2-24 SM 19/2
17	To The Dist. Magistrate, Bangalore. No. C 520 dt 20/2 With reference to letter requesting him to submit once for all a final report on action taken by him instead of submitting piecemeal and administrative reports.
Rly A.	
Rly A Sec. L.18 GEN. & REV. 21 FEB 1924 INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE BRANCH.	From the same office. GC 228/23-24 dt 21-2-24 Forwards copies of certain correspondence as the delay and Rules that of approval by Govt permitting to build the magazine in the proposed site may be given. To be submitted AHH 23-2-24 25 For perusal & orders —

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From the District Magistrate, Bangalore
J.C. 228/23-24 dt 26-2-24. rt.
Forwards a copy of letter received from the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore stating that no new licence is necessary as the new magazines to be built are identical with the existing ones & the quantity of explosives to be stored is the same viz 12000 lbs.

80) The previous papers have been submitted to the Second Member vide D no 3429 on 26-2-24

81) May this be submitted in enclosure?

(Initd) K.R. 17-2 (Initd) V.S.

82) please put up the rule

(Initd) S.N.R. 29/2

83) Submitted with a copy of the rule.

dt 1-3-24.

84) The Dy Comm further reply may be awaited.

85) It is not clear why a new licence is considered necessary. As the site is different, it is perhaps necessary to publish a notice in the Gazette under rule 29 — Rule 35 also seems to require a fresh licence stating the present distances.

85) I think this is necessary

Rev Secy 4/3 The SD licence may be issued

I agree

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89	The Dy Comr may perhaps be asked to grant the necessary to build the magazines as the Site agreed upon subject to the Conditions laid down by the Chief Inspector of Mines- If necessary, the Dy Comr's order Conformity Conditions, may be obtained Sent to the Inspector for his remarks before issue — SNR 25/2 Received 27/2
A	89 Action may be taken as indicated at A The procedure of notifying the Construction Calling for objections has been duly attended to 693 26.2.24 SNR 26/2
	91 In the circumstances a fair and reasonable rent from date possession of magazines is granted to magazines on payment of the rents may be arranged by the Executive

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20	From the Dy: Comr. Bangalore, forwards a copy of D.O. addressed to the Secy. Board in the matter of shifting the Nobles' Explosives Magazine 93) the previous correspondence on the subject has been noted. to a 2nd Number on 10.3.24.

Returned on 26-3-24 with Memo of Revisions.
GN 1/4

GN 21/3/24

93) For perusal
SNM 25/3

Rev Secy
11 Members

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1.4.24

94) 31/3
SNM 31/3

95) 1/4
SNM 3/4

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46	Previous references subd. to 2nd member on 22/2/24 have not yet been received & after the receipt of the file necessary action will be taken. 27/3/24 28.3.24 47) Yes, but in matter should be approved SM 28/3
21	From the Dy Magr Bangalore J. C. 228 of 23-24 & 20-3-24 forwards copies of certain correspondence from messrs Borgnet & Sons & states for reasons assigned that Govt. sanction is necessary for shifting the Nobles' Explosives magazine:
48	As the previous references on the subject are before the 2nd Member submitted for orders. 1/4/24. 49) The previous papers may be got for reference. The members orders are clear SM 6/4.

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ROUTINE NOTES.

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., not intended for permanent record.]

D. No 4474.

Petn from M. Appajappa and others, residents of Bangalore city, complaining that one fraudulently Ramachendra Rao sold to the certain site in S. No 67 of Kathamaranahalli, alleging that it was his land & promising to give all facilities to them eg laying out of roads etc, and that the explosive department may be asked not to locate the explosive magazine near their block.

10/9 Order of 2nd member on petn:— "This may be sent to D.C. for early report" — "Rev. Secy with compts (sd.) H. R. S.

10/9 Draft to D.C is subd

by 3.6.24 4.4.24

10/9 H.C Branch with C

by [illegible]

8.4.24

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
8 - APR 1924
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
BRANCH.

SMR 8/4

P T O

N. B.—Shouldroutine notes be written on small slips the notes must b cipoed, or slips pasted on this form.

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	(10) Kind attention is invited to the minutes of the 2nd Member of 23/3/24 & 3.4.24, & it seems that action as regards the renewal of the old license may be taken on receipt of a report from the Dy. Coml on the merits of the case expressed in the petition to be forwarded to him.
A	(10a) orders solicited
	(10b) The draft O. Ms. received from the Rev. Branch is also put up for appl: or other orders
B	9.4.24
	(10c)/B. The draft (amd) may issue — Yes —
	(10)/A In orders — .
	SMR 9/4
	Rev Secy) (10d) SMR 10/4
23	To
	The DC Bangalore
	(No 6280) 12/4/24
	Forward Se (22) for an early detailed report.

Govt A

PRIMARY

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24	From the Dy. Comr. Bangalore No. P. 1562 G.A.R. dt. 16/6. 4 rs Submits a report with the connected records, on the petn of Appaji Appa & others of Bangalore City, protesting against the location of the Explosives Magazine of Messrs. Minerva Mills Ltd. on S. No. 69 of Hakkimaranahalli village, and forwarding for permission to convert S. No. 67 of the same village into a building site 109) Permission to the petitioners applicants for building houses on S. No. 69 has been refused on the opinion of the Chief Inspector of Explosives in connection with the shifting of the Powder Magazines in S. No. 69. 110) Submit for orders with reference to the no enumerated remarks & steps as proposed 111) Please see my U.O. dated 7/5- 112) Personal attention is invited to 2nd Secretary's minute of 3.6.26 (on page 24). 113) Petitions from Appajappa & others were forwarded to the Dy. Comr. for a detailed report on all the points raised in their
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p u de (Passed) (pm 62)

Dy 28/5

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the report from the Dy. Comm. and the records forwarded with it do not throw light on the following points

(1) Re- Magazine :-

(1) The records connected with District Magistrate's enquiry about the proposal to remove this magazine 800 ft away from the present, site according the notice published by him have not been sent, and it is nothing to show that the petitioners (i.e. purchasers ~~the~~ S. Nos. 67 & 68) who had prior claim to the lands in dispute were given any chance to represent their claims or to bring forward their objections if any, as regards the removal of the magazine (vide rules 26 of the Explosives

(2) S Nos. 67, 68 & 69 have not at all been shown in the sketch, to scale & the distance between the site now selected for the removal of the magazine

* No. J. C. 1696 dt. 2-6-22

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and those where houses are to be built. (ij- licenses are to be granted) has not been maintained anywhere

115) B. Re - Survey nos. 67 & 68.

Subsequent to the publication of the said notice the Dy: Comr. has informed the C. Ramachandra Rao the Zamindar that the matter as to the suitability or otherwise of the land for building sites is under consideration

D. 1562 of 3.11.22 K

No. 413 of 27.8.23 W

115) The President, City Municipality, Bangalore, in his Communication to the Dy. Comr. says that permission to build houses in S. nos. 67 & 68 can be given if the party who intends to lay out the extension agrees to make arrangements for street Conservancy, drainage, &c. at his own expense the Dy. Comr has also sent his recommendation to the Rev Comr: who has approved of the proposal subject to a levy of a fine @ Rs. 10 or 7- per acre.

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Petitioners in their present petition. (forwarded to the Dy: Comr)

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to Govt. state that they have been advised by one Mr. Ramachandra Rao from whom they purchased the sites for building purposes that the question of ownership of these lands is pending disposal before the District and Sessions Judge, Bangalore; that the Explosive magazine may be erected in some other place & that the grant of permission to build houses there will be more advantageous to Govt. as the Municipality—

para 3 x

para 4 & 6. x

para 5 x

(11) It is a point for orders whether petitioners are entitled to any redress at the hands of Govt in consideration of the claims set forth by them & whether a license for the removal of the magazine may be issued as suggested by recommended by the Dy: Comm

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(15) After some Correspondence the Revenue Court has ordered that the Commissioner

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of Rs. 67 d 68 to building Sites may be sanctioned subject to certain Conditions most important being that the Site is an Authoritative letter from the Chief Inspector of Explosives that the Site in question is not within Combustible prohibited limits from the Explosives magazines

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119) But as the blocks in question have been found to be within prohibited area, the order Cannot now be given effect to & permission has been refused to the petrs using the block for building purposes - It is against this that the petitioners have now appealed and their request is that the Nobels explosives Magazines may be ordered to be shifted to some Site other than the one now selected so that they may take advantage of the Rs order & build houses - They say that such a Course would not only be helpful to them but would be financially beneficial to Govt as they would be saving the time the

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levied on the land which would be converted to a non-agricultural purpose

12) It is unsafe for orders whether an enhancement may be given to the petitioners that the proposed site of the magazine cannot be allowed and that they may proceed against Ramachandrarao who is said to have misrepresented that necessary permission had been obtained for building houses etc. when the matter is enquired into by the Collector in case the magazine is constructed in that site

asked if Considering the possibility of shifting the magazines to some other site unobjectionable site the latter Course seems to be equitable

13) The DC has not sent all the connected papers. An order refusing permission to the petitioners to build houses (refers to in the Enclosure of the P. W. D) is not to be found in the papers sent. The Sketch is not quite clear as it does not show how the disputed question come within the prohibited area

14) For orders

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123) It does not appear to be desirable to enquire the question of the location of the Magazine - The petitioners have not a good case as the conversion of the land for a non-agricultural purpose has not been sanctioned by Govt. The parties may seek a civil relief regarding the misrepresentation if any practised on them by Mr Ramachandra Rao

67/5.6 II (as above)

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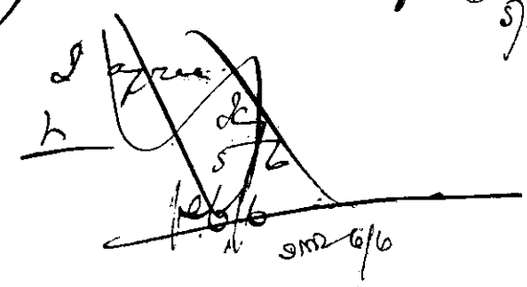

124) It may be ascertained from the D C if the construction of a new magazine on the [illegible] site selected by the Dist. Supdg Engineer has been commenced by the Dist. Co. If so an interim stop to work stands as present. If it has not been commenced - it may be ordered to be stopped as aforesaid pending final orders on the petition / Mahapatra

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125) Notice regarding the petition of the Rais Ryots [illegible] regarding the Estimate for the year 67-68 whether permission has been granted for the construction of pucca or kutcha steps and of any [illegible] of the applicants have agreed to pay a fine of Rs 10 00 p. also as per [illegible] from the Rais concerned letter A tracing of the village map showing [illegible] (67-68) as also the area on which the [illegible] and steps are to be constructed by the Ryots which is a [illegible] the Ryots may have to pay and to be [illegible]

126) Date of [illegible] to be [illegible] before the Executive meeting

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only if the Sanitary requirements are complied with, and hence, it seems to me that Mr. Bocquet, Chief Inspector of Mines, might be requested to select a site further away which might be acquired at a small cost. As a considerable sum of money is involved, the matter is submitted for the orders of Government.

4. This office file No.D(1).Dis.352/21.23-24 dated 7th February 1924 on the subject is forwarded herewith for reference and kind return when done with.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

K. Chaudhry

Revenue Commissioner.

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12) The premises referred relating to this question has sent to the Law Branch, for their opinion in J.S. No. This might also be sent there for their opinion with reference to the plan marked 'A'

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Law Branch

12) The main file has been sent to Law Branch for their opinion in continuation. This may be sent in continuation.

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12) SNR 5/6 The case has been fully looked upon already

Rev Secy 13) This has been sent back to the Law Branch before orders

SNR 6/6 Law Branch to the Secretary

3) 35 J. + C. 4,75

Remark minor in magazine. (Linked)

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132) As the magazines have not been actually shifted to the Silo Select area it may not be difficult to select another suitable Silo & the question is how to be resolved as ordered in the linked file, not mentioned the fact loss Rs 31000/— as pointed out by the Rev Cmte but there is likely to be a lot of discontent and possibly agitation against by petn etc

133) For orders —

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Rejected
98/6.6 Ld Member

134) I leave the case as per
facts on the main file
please & the magazine file

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26	From the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore. No. 191 & 31.7.1924 forwards copy of his letter No. 190 & 31.7.24 to the District Magistrate, Bangalore re the renewal & rebuilding of Messrs: Noble's Explosives magazines, Bangalore City 135) the Chief Inspector in his letter to the District Magistrate states that permission has been given to Messrs: V. Kiran & Co. to proceed with the work pending formal sanction of Govt & that it does not appear necessary for the formal sanction of Govt to be obtained after the site for the new buildings has been finally approved of:- 136) the purchasers of house-sites in the Kattimanivalle villages have petitioned to Govt. protesting against the grant of permission to construct the magazine

No orders have been issued in this case

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Questions and the papers have been pulled to the 2nd Member on 4.6.1924 with dy. nos. 4566 & 4987 of 1923-24.

3) In the matter of granting license Ext. sanction is necessary under rule 35 de. VI of the Explosives Rules & the Chief Inspector is only to recommend the same (Rule 34), and the magazine authorities are to undertake the work of construction only when the license is received duly attested

138) Subd for orders.

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134) It is for the Govt to consider the question of the villagers a park license appears to be necessary.

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147) Please see my order on the main file today

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27 From the District Mag: Bangalore
No. J. C. 228 of 23-24 dt 2/6.8.24
forwards copy of letter No. 190
dt 31.7.24 from the Chief Inspector
of Mines stating that the excavation
of work connected with the building
of Noble's Explosives magazine is
practically completed & ~~dealt~~
requests sanction of Govt to
construct the building

141) The Chief Inspector of Mines has
forwarded a copy of his letter No. 190
dt 31.7.24 addressed to the Dist Mag.
to Govt & it has been laid before the
Secretary Member on 4.8.24 (Dy. No.
5799) for orders

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143) Please see my note in
main file today 8/8

144) Repo. Para 124 of the Mines
Please See the Dist Magistrate's letter
of the 2nd inst. and also that of the

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the Chief Engineer of mine dated the 31st July 1924. It will be seen here from that excavations of the magazine on the fresh site have been practically completed and that the foundations have been started, although Govt have not yet passed orders sanctioning the Construction.

(as regd sub 35 of explosives rule)

145) It is for orders here whether it be has to be written to as directed in para 124 of the note.

146) If it is considered necessary that the petitioners request is true. Considered, the District magte has to be asked to have the work of Construction held in abeyance.

147) Forwarded

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sent to the Tahsildar mentioned in

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	27) Related. write 2 ltrs to 2578/24 26.8.24
	27) Issue today SM 26/8
28	To The Dist: Magistrate Bangalore No.C 1336 of 2618 With Reference to Sc(27) enquires whether the Construction of a new magazine has been Commenced and if not. the same may be held in abeyance pending final orders of Govt.
29	To The Rev. Commr No.C 1335 of 2618. With Reference to Sc 25(a) calls for certain reports & Returns on Records received Remarks
30	from the Dir: Inspr of Mines No. 356 of 28.8.24 forwards for information, Copy of his letter No. 355 of 28.8.24 to the Dy: Mag. Bangalore re the removal of magazine.

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152) The report regarding from the Dist. Mag. & the Rev. Concl. are due.

153) For orders.

No 3078/24

154) Be perused.

155) Refer para 148 of the rules

SNR 30/8

Rer Secy 156) The matter was Come in today

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31 From the Dt. Mag. Bangalore. No J.C. 228/23 & 3078/24. Inwards copy of letter No. 355 & 28.8.24 from the Chief Inspr of Mines stating that the work of excavation had been completed long before his last inspection, & that he agrees with the Cle. Inspr that the objection now raised by Smt. Nafeesa & others is 2 years after the time limit & that it is therefore out of order & cannot be considered & that the report

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	Messrs: Lewis & Co. and the Bangalore Sub Treasury officer will be asked, on receipt from them
32	From the Dt. Surg. Bangalore-
	No. J. C. 728-23 dt 30/8/24
	forwards copy of letter No. 535/24 dt 29.8.24 from the Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, stating that the work of clearing the piles was completed about the end of July at a cost of Rs. 1300/- & that foundations have been laid at a cost of Rs. 500/-
157	Reference: Para 125. of 8.29
	Reply from the Revl. Comr. has not yet come.
158	For orders
	3.9.24
159	For orders
	Refer members' orders in paras 124–126
160	of this Note
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88/3.9	161) The Revenue wing of the Secretariat is now a separate department & a separate Secretariat has been created for the same. The 15th inst.

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33	From the Dy. Insp: Bangalore No J. C. 228 of 23-24. dt 4.9.24. Forwards the report from the Asstt: Conl. in charge of Bangalore Sub Division stating that a large enthusiasm has been made in the Ecolers side gutter judge & the building (viz. Nobel's Explosives magazine) is being erected & it will probably be completed in a month or two. 162) The file has been sent on 3.9.24 with G.O. No. 1143 for orders. 163) Rev. Conl. has not yet sent in his reply. 8/9/24 8/9/24
	164) Refer:- Para 161 (Page 45). Submit with a draft G.O. required. 8/9/24 8/9/24 Issue & Submit 165 SM 28/9/24
34	From the Rev: Conl in Mysore No. C. 3228/23-24 dt 4.9.24

File cannot be traced from the 11 number 879/24

Reply from the R.C. not received by D.O. concerned

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	Furnish the information on the points raised in Sl. 29.
	166) Attention is invited to Executive Circular of 6.9.26 (Para 161, p. 45).
	167) With regard to the point raised in para 6 of the Rev. Comm's letter under reference kind attention is invited to paras 4 & 5 of the Petn addressed to the II Member wherein they (Petrs) say that they are prepared to get the lands converted to the Building sites & houses thereon at any cost & there is nothing on record to show whether the ~~Petrs are connected~~ Dy. Comm. asked the Petrs. as to their willingness or otherwise re payment of a fine of Rs. 1000/- per acre referred to in the Rev. Comm's letter addressed to the Dy. Comm Bangalore.
	168) For orders Sd/- 1079/26
	169) As many persons have spent some money on excavation etc, the petitioners will have to Compensate them in case their request is favourably considered
	170) For orders SMR 1079

Ref to Sec. D, Dis 3.852/23-24 of 7-2-24 V

Yes & Imperative

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326/13.9 Rev Secy) II Member

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171)	A ~~[illegible]~~ full & brief [illegible] note about the facts of this case may be put up for submission to Darbar.
	It may also be furnished in the note on the following points among others
	i When was the question of the removal of the magazine from its present place first raised
	ii When was it finally decided to remove it to the new site where it was proposed to be shifted
	iii When were the dates of the [illegible] 68 & 89 [illegible] for occupation of the lands in [illegible] for [illegible] site
	iv Whether any sanction was taken of the [illegible] for the first time to the shifting of the magazine to the new site selected for it
	If it was after the removal of the magazine was sanctioned & the construction on the new site commenced why was not sanction taken earlier
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172 SECOND MEMBER'S QUERIES.

(1) When was the question of the "removal" of the magazine from its present place raised?

The Chief Inspector of Mines raised this question on 20th June 1923 and forwarded certain records on the subject.

The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, who was consulted on the point states in his letter No.228/~~1923~~ dated ~~14th December 1923~~ that as the Minerva Mills have consented to bear the cost of construction of a new magazine on the site selected the -- proposals may be sanctioned.

On ~~11th~~ 7th January 1924 instructions were issued to the Deputy Commissioner, to call for a meeting of the representatives of Messrs. Minerva Mills & Co and decide the question.

173 (2) When was it finally decided to remove it to the new spot where it was proposed to be shifted.

The District Magistrate, Bangalore, in forwarding copies of certain correspondence states in his letter No.J.C.228 dated 21st February 1924 that permission to build the magazine 800 ft. away from the present place will be granted if Govt. approve and that Messrs. Sirur & Co., have started clearing the site for the new magazine pending the grant of a formal license. The Dist magte has asked for formal sanction to the shifting in his letter of 20th March 1924

Govt. has not passed final orders on the point as a petition from Nagappa and others was received against the removal of the magazine.

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(3) When were the sales of the S.Nos.68 & 67 made by the occupant of the lands in favour of the petitioners for building sites.

The petitioners say that they purchased the land from the occupant three years ago, i.e. in 1921.

The petition received in the Secretariat was forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner for report and paras 114-117 of Office Note contain information -- available from the Records received from the District Magistrate. The ~~President, Bangalore City Municipality~~ Rev. Comm is in favour of allowing the sites for -- building purposes provided the purchasers are ready to pay a fine of Rs.1000/- per acre and there is nothing on record to show that the petitioners were given any chance of giving their opinion on ~~record~~ as to their willingness or otherwise to pay~~ing~~ the acreage contribution as suggested by the Revenue Commissioner.

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(4) When was objection taken by the petitioners for the first time to the shifting of the magazine to the new site selected for it. If it was after the removal of the magazine was sanctioned and its ~~construction~~ construction on the new site commenced why was not objection taken earlier.

Objects before the Dist mag^te on the 24th March 1924

The petitioness ~~have been urging for their~~ to which an enst was given by the Govt. that Comply with. on 2nd May 24 ~~claims since 1920 and they approached Govt. in 1924~~ for redress after they came to know that the Deputy Commissioner had permitted the magazine authorities to build the magazine. In their petition they say that they are prepared to have the sites for themselves at any cost. Govt. have not passed orders re. the grant of formal license to the magazine -- authorities to remove the magazine from its present building. Previous sanction of Govt. is necessary to remove or build the magazine (Rules 34, 35, 36) of the Explosives Rules.

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176 Govt have yet to issue formal sanction to the removal of the magazine to the new site Repe para 171 of the Hy Sec 6/11 Re Tur

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177 Before he passes any formal opinion or passing any order, I shd like to request the Spr. with the Dep'y Com' ~~to obtain from the Executive Engr of Dacca~~, the particulars (nature, dimensions, &c.) as also the person who objects to the removal of the magazine to the proposed new site & being required to be present.

178 The D C of Bogra in his ~~letter~~ ~~D~~ memorandum of the 15th ult. (15th) mentioned that the Executive Engineer of Dacca had been requested to furnish the particulars of the proposed new site & that on receipt of the same a reference would be made to this office.

179 Accordingly a letter was addressed to the Executive Engr Dacca on the 12th ult.

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Re the Bangalore Arsenal. Please see the papers about the site which is wanted for the new Arsenal. [illegible] 6/11

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Routine Notes.

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Subd

180 The D.C. Bangalore, will be availing himself of three days' casual leave on 17th, 18th & 19th Nov.

181 The Second Member wants to inspect the Site for the Magazine on the 19th morning in company with the D.C. As the latter will be absent that day, may the personal Asst to the D be asked to be present?

Subd JGS 13.XI.24

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183 In the circumstances stated by the D I shall go to the mtg on Monday the 21st instead of on the 19th. The D.C. may be present with me at the mtg & also arrange for Forest officers being present.

Forwarded

184 Work to DC 15/11 15.11.24 SNR 15/11

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85) Draft D.O letter to the D.C. is submitted for approval.

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15.11.24.

186) Issue
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15.11.24

No. D.O. I.C. 3428 dt 7/11/24
To The Hon: Capt. Bamfather
Informing him that
the Second Member of Council
will inspect the proposed
site on the morning of
7.11.24 & that he must
make arrangements
to be present there with
the Mestries (including the
Settlements) concerned

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Petitioners dt 16.11.24 from C. & Subdrals (one of the representatives of the petrs).

states that in consideration of their previous claims over the land, & the large amount they have spent in purchasing the plots, &c. they request to ~~hold the order~~ allow them to build houses on the plots & remove the magazine to a far distant place may be kindly reconsidered.

187) The petitioner has sent in a reminder on behalf of others for a reconsideration of their requests.

188) Kind attention is invited to the Secretary's minute dt 15-11-24 (in page 52, para 183), & ~~order~~ ~~passed~~,

18.11.24.

189) The Revd member has arranged to visit the ~~place~~ on the 21st morning & the ~~Secy~~ will be with him.

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Rev Secy 190) No list is required. Pl. keep in 22

SNR 29/11 Secy

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From Mr. Asbury applicant.

Petn dt 16-11-24

Pray for a favourable consideration of their case re permission to build house in their Sites near Kottamuvadalli & that the magazine removed far away from their Sites

Second members orders on the petition dt 18.11.24.

19) " this may be placed in the file relating to the Case

(sd) K.R.S

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19) Subd. with reference.

20/11/24 To the Personal Asstt.

5/14 to the 2nd member
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193) I have inspected on the 21st instant, with the Deputy Commissioner and the parties, the new site selected by the Deputy Commissioner and Mr.Bocquet for the magazine as also the land (S.No.67) in respect of which application has now been received for its appropriation for building purposes. It was ascertained at the inspection that this land (S.No. 67) which belonged to Ramachandra Rao has been divided by him into building sites (as per sketch enclosed which was produced during the inspection) and that he has sold the sites at a great profit to a large number of persons who were led to buy them on account of the false representation that he had obtained the permission of the Deputy Commissioner as also of the Municipality for the land being converted into building sites and taken over by the Municipality. It was represented by these people that there was no means of their getting back their money from Ramachandra Rao as he had filed an application for insolvancy and that they would practically lose all their money if they could not have the sites and allowed to build thereon. They requested, therefore, that the magazine mayxbe might be shifted to some other place so that its proximit to their sites might not stand in the way of the being permitted to build thereon.

194) When the Deputy Commissioner and Mr. Bocquet inspected and selected the new site for shifting

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the magazine, no objection was taken to it by the petitioners or any body else; and it is only after the new site was selected that they have come forward with the present representation. The Miners Mills company having been allowed by Mr. Bocquet to proceed with the construction of the new magazine on the site selected by him they have already made substantial progress with it and spent some thousands of rupees over it. They cannot, therefore, be asked to shift it again to another place. Further, any other site in S.No. 69 belonging to Messrs Best & Co. and on which the present magazine stands will be open to the same objection as the one now selected. It will not also be easy to select an unobjectionable site far away from S.No. 67 which the petitioners want to build on; and even if such a site were available the petitioners are not in a position to bear the cost of construction of a new magazine thereon, as they will have to do, if it is to be shifted for their convenience. Hence, taking all the circumstances into consideration, I think, that orders may be issued finally approving of the shifting of the magazine to the site selected and approved by the Deputy Commissioner and Mr. Bocquet and on which the construction has already made appreciable progress.

195) With regard to the application of the petitioners for the appropriation of S.No. 67 for building purposes, the distance that has, under

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the rules, to be left clear of ~~the buildings~~ dwelling houses in respect of the magazine in question, is 590 yards without the consent of the occupants and 190 yard with their consent. If the magazine is protected by a ramp the distance can be halved. As the new magazine is arranged to be provided with a ramp I think, it will be quite sufficient and safe if it is kept clear of buildings for a distance of 190 yards ~~and~~ Mr. Bocquet whom I personally consulted to-day agrees in this view. From the annexed plan as well as ~~the according~~ Plan or rough measurement which was got made by the Amildar at my instance it is found that out of a total area of 29 A. - 7 G. comprised in S.No. 67 an extent of only 5 A. - 10 G. will fall within a radius of 190 yards from the new magazine site. Excluding this area which may be treated as forbidden ~~Zone~~, I think, that permission ~~may~~ be given for the appropriation of the remaining portion of the survey number for building purposes, on recovery of the fine prescribed therefor under the rules.

196) ... may be given ...

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Mr. Bocquet, Chief Inspector of Mines, who inspected this morning the new site of the magazine as also survey number 67 in respect of which permission has been sought for, for building - houses thereon, saw me in the office to-day and informed me that there can be no objection for granting permission to build houses only to the east of the road which has been formed parallel to and at a distance of about 100 yards from the halla which forms the western boundary of survey number 67. He also suggested that the persons who want to build houses should be required to execute in writing a mutchalika to the effect that they have no objection to the existence of the magazine in its new place and that they will bear any additional cost which may have to be incurred for raising the ramp round the magazine to the height required for the protection of their houses.

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Approves of the Shifting of the magazine to the site selected by the Chief Inspector of Mines & the Dist. Magistrate, Bangalore on S no. 67 and states that excluding the area req[d] for the magazine permission may be given for the appropriation of the remaining portion viz 23·00 & 37 guntas of the S. no. for building purposes to the persons who wish to build houses on the land on recovery of the future premiums Rent & in execution of a mulchalika on certain conditions.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES & EXPLOSIVES.

Office of the Chief Inspector of Mine
in Mysore
Oorgaum dated 20th ~~July~~ June 1923

Dear Sir,

Kindly lay the enclosed correspondence before the First Member of Council at the earliest available opportunity as he asked that it should be submitted to him following an interview granted to me on the 22nd ult.

Yours sincerely

R. Bocquet

CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES
IN MYSORE.

M. Narayana Rao, Esq: B.A.,
Personal Assistant to the First Member of Council,
Bangalore.

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Letter No.1824 dated 18th May 1923 from the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore to the Deputy Commissioner and District Magistrate, Bangalore District, Bangalore.

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RE: REMOVAL AND REBUILDING OF MESSRS. NOBEL'S EXPLOSIVES MAGAZINES, KETMARNHALLI, BANGALORE CITY.

I have the honour to invite your attention to this office letter, No.1645-47 dated 14th April 1923, forwarding for your information a copy of my report on the above subject, and to request you to kindly favour me with your opinion on the points dealt with in the above report.

Although Messrs. Sirur & Co: have been given the option of two separate proposals in this report, they are still hesitating which to carry out. In the meanwhile, they have extended the site for the mill buildings northwards and now inform me that the nearest of these will be only 310 ft. away - when built - from Nobel's magazines. They have been notified that if they persist in doing this without permission, they lay themselves open to be prosecuted for a breach of the Rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation.

"C O P Y"

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CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES

IN MYSORE.

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Date of issue 27/6/23

Signed by Lt C & R Rao

Section Geol.

File No. 22 - 23.

Serial No 2

No. I.C. 7815-Gl Dte 7 11 page

To The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dt.

Sir,

I am directed to forward for reference & return herewith copies of correspondence between the Chief Inspector of Mines & Messrs N. Seriar & Co, Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Ltd., Bangalore in Mysore re the question of removal and rebuilding of Messrs Nobel's Explosives Magazines, Kettamanhalli, Bangalore city and to request you to let Government know at what stage the matter is & to furnish your opinion as soon as an early decision is required in the interests of general safety. The matter may kindly be treated as urgent.

I have &c.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND EXPLOSIVES.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES IN MYSORE

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

D.O.No. 7//Encls.5. *Dated Oorgaum,* 16th JULY 1923.

Govt 22-23-3

Dear Sir,

In forwarding copy of D.O. letter No.1992 dated 20-7-23 to the Personal Assistant to the First Member of Council - Mr.Raghavendra Rao, since retired from office - for your information, I beg to enclose further correspondence on the subject of the removal and rebuilding of Messrs. Nobel's Explosives Magazines, Ketmarnahalli, Bangalore, including my report on the inspection carried out of the site and surroundings of the disused explosives magazines (now abandoned) formerly belonging to the Carbonite Syndicate, Ltd., for submission to the Second Member of Council for perusal and favour of orders.

As the subject is of local importance, affects the safety of the thickly populated surrounding area and no final decision has yet been reached disposing definitely of t h e course to be followed, I would suggest that the Second Member be pleased to call a meeting of the parties concerned, at which

D.O.letter No.1992 dated 20th July 1923 from the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore, to the Personal Assistant to the First Member of Council.

Kindly lay the enclosed correspondence before the First Member of Council at the earliest available opportunity, as he asked that it should be submitted to him following an interview granted to me on the 22nd ult.

"C O P Y"

R. Bacquet.
CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES
IN MYSORE.

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D.O. No I.C. 398 Dt 20 7/23

Dear Sir, Encl 22-23-4

With reference to your D.O. letter No 71 dt 16 th inst. to my personal Assistant regarding the ~~personal~~ shifting ~~observation~~ of Messrs Nobels Explosives Magazines at Kethamaranahalli Bangalore Dist I write to inform you that ~~the~~ orders will be passed on the receipt of the report in the matter called for from the Dy Comr of the Bangalore Dt. In the meanwhile I have a request to make & request you to see & send a brief self contained report giving things as they are in the matter detailing the points on which

orders of Court are required

Yours Sincerely

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R Bacquet Esqr
Chief Inspector
of Mines
Georgetown

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND EXPLOSIVES.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES IN MYSORE.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Dated Bangalore, the 23rd JULY 1923.

D.O.No. 106/Ene:1

GEN. & REVENUE SECRETARIAT
24 JUL 1923
INDUSTRIES DIARY NO 368
BRANCH.

Dear Sir,

Re Removal and rebuilding of Messrs. Nobel's Explosives Magazines at Kothanahalli, Bangalore Taluk.

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Section
Serial No. I. C. 398/Geol.

In compliance with your D.O. letter No. [illegible] dated 20-7-23, I beg to submit a brief note on the facts of the case as they at present stand for your kind perusal and information.

Details of what has taken place since the matter came into my hands may be found in copies of the correspondence already submitted.

Yours sincerely,

R. Bocquet.

Srinivasa Iyengar Esq: M.A:,
Second Member of Council,
Bangalore.

N O T E.

The facts are briefly as follows:-

1. Messrs. Best & Co: of Madras, as agents for Nobel's Explosives Co: Ltd., acquired and bought a plot of ground - Survey No.69 - in 1901 situated some distance west of Bangalore City Railway Station within the limits of Ketmarnahalli Village, Bangalore Taluk.

2. On this - after the site had been inspected and approved - two buildings of the standard design for such purposes were erected by Best & Co: and formally sanctioned for the storage of high explosives (10,000 lbs.), detonators (No.80,000) and safety fuse (No.12,000 coils). A license was at the same time granted for the possession and sale of explosives subject to the provisions of the Mysore Explosives Regulation, II of 1888 and the rules thereunder.

3. During the past few years, an extensive plot of ground has been acquired in the same locality by the Minerva Mills Ltd. for the purpose of erecting and running Woollen & Cotton Mills, t h e managing agents being Messrs. N. Sirur & Co: ; the construction of the mill buildings is now in progress.

4. The question then arose as to the proximity of Nobel's Explosives Magazines and what steps should be taken by the Minerva Mills, either to get these removed and rebuilt on another site or so screen them that they should not be a source of danger in case the magazines were to blow up or get blown up. The correspondence on this subject was started while the Inspector of Explosives in Mysore was still in office, but when this branch of the Department of Mines and Explosives was abolished by Government - vide G.O. No. I. C. 6306-66/Geol. 88-21-1 dated 27-6-22 - the papers were transferred to this office to be dealt with and disposed of.

5. In February of this year, a thorough inspection of the locality and surroundings was carried out - vide report sent with covering letter to Messrs. N. Sirur & Co:, No.1645-47 dated 14-4-23. Special attention is called to para 5 of this report in which the re-

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presentative of Messrs. N. Sirur & Co: assured me, on the spot, that no mill buildings would be constructed at a point nearer than 1000 ft. to the magazines for the reasons stated. Acting on this and after duly considering the matter, I came to the conclusion that an earthen ramp of such height and thickness as to effectively screen the magazines would be sufficient protection under the circumstances; Messrs. Sirur & Co: were notified accordingly. As an alternative, a site 800 ft. north of the existing magazines was inspected and chosen in case the above proposal did not meet with Messrs. Sirur & Co.'s approval. In the event of the magazines having to be rebuilt, to conform with the rules certain stipulations had to be made and the disposal of the present stock of explosives considered. On the score of the heavy expenditure to be incurred, I gathered that Messrs. Sirur & Co: would object to the latter proposal.

6. Subsequent to this and greatly to my surprise, I received a communication dated 10-5-23 from Messrs. Sirur & Co: informing me that they had lately acquired some more land to the north, that there is every probability of their adding more buildings on this side and that those at the extreme limit of this extension would be only 310 ft. from the magazines ! This, of course, is entirely contrary to what their representative told me in February last and likewise, if carried out before Nobel's magazines are removed would constitute a breach of the explosives rules for which they would lay themselves open to be prosecuted (vide letter No.1818 dated 18-5-23). At the same time, they were informed that I am prepared to make any concession within reason, but I am certainly not prepared to sanction the erection of buildings 310 ft. away from the magazines whether protected by an earthen ramp or not. I added that, unless they can dispense with such buildings, the existing magazines will have to be done away with and others constructed on a fresh site at their expense.

7. The orders of Government are solicited to restrain Messrs. Sirur & Co: from constructing any buildings whatever on the extension northwards of the land recently acquired, until such time as the question

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question of the removal and rebuilding of Nobel's Explosives Magazines has been settled and the new magazines built, inspected and passed as ready for use - Vide Chapter VI "Magazines" of the rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation, II of 1888.

R. Bocquet.

CHIEF INSPECTOR OF ~~MINES~~ IN MYSORE.

Oorgaum, K.G.F.,
23rd July 1923.

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Office of the District Magistrate,

Bangalore District,

7281 Dated Bangalore 13th August 1923

DIARY NO 10 Geol Section. File No. 22-23 Serial No. 6
GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT 15 AUG 1923 INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE BRANCH.

From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,

District Magistrate, ,

Bangalore District.

15 AUG 1923

To

T. E. Jayarama Aiyar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Revenue Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

BANGALORE.

Sir,

Adverting to your reminder letter No.I.C.631/Geol. dated the 3rd August.1923, re: the shifting of Messrs. Nobels Explosives Magazine at Kethmarnahalli, Bangalore Taluk, I have the honor to request that a copy of letter No.I.C.7815 dated 27th June 1923 referred to therein may kindly be ordered to be sent to me for reference, as the original is not traced here.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For District Magistrate,

Bangalore District.

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Date of issue 16/8/23

Signed by Dr. M.S.R. Rao

Section Geol

File No. 22-23

Serial No 7

No. JC 813 Bangalore

The Deputy Commissioner

Bangalore

To

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your U.O. No JC. 228 of 13-8-23, regarding the question of lifting of Messrs Nobels Explosives Magazines at Kelli marenhalli in the Bangalore Taluk, I am directed to forward herewith as requested a copy of this office U.O. No JC 7815 dt 27-6-1923 ~~as requested~~ together with copies of correspondence on the subject thus received from the Chief Engineer and Secretary for reference and

over.

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I am to request that the information called for may be furnished at an early date copies of correspondence between the Chief Secretary to Govt dated 27-6-1923 may be returned with the copies also sent. The matter may be treated as very urgent.

Yours etc

15.8.23

Deputy Secretary to Govt

Secretary:-

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D.O. No. I.C. 3766 Genl 22-23-4

Dear Sir,

D 13/12/23

I am desired to state that in this office No. I.C. 7815 dated 27th June 1923 ~~forwarding~~ copies of the correspondence between the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore and Messrs. N. Sirur & Co., Managing Agents of the Minerva Mills Ltd. Bangalore ~~xxxx~~, regarding the question of removal and rebuilding of Explosive Magazines belonging to Messrs Nobels Explosives ~~Magazines~~, Kethamaranahalli, Bangalore City and you were requested to furnish your opinions the suggestions made by the Chief Inspector of Mines. No report was received from you till the end of July and a reminder was thereupon sent to you on the 25th July 1923. In reply to this a letter was received from you on the 13th of August stating that the original reference sent to you on the 27th June 1923 could not be traced in your office and that a copy thereof may be sent to you. Accordingly a copy of the letter dated 27th June 1923 was sent to you on the 16th of August 1923. Up-to-date report called for from you has not been received although one official reminder on the 22nd September and three successive D.O. reminders on the 3rd October, 26th October and 13th November were sent to you. I am desired to state that the delay in this important matter is very unsatisfactory and that the

matter should immediately be taken up by you and the report called for submitted before the 16th of this month

I am also to request you to enquire into the circumstances in which this important reference has been left unattended to and also forward for the orders of Government explanations of those responsible for the delay.

Yours sincerely,

To

The Dy. Commissioner,
Bangalore Dt.

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Office of the District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.
Dated, Bangalore the 14th December 1923.

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From

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The District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

To

The Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Local & Legislative Departments, Bangalore.

GOVT. REV. SECRETARIAT
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INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
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16 DEC. 1923
G. D. SECRETARIAT

With reference to your No. I.C. 813 of the 16th ~~September~~ August 1923 calling for my opinion in the matter of the removal of the Nobels explosives magazine from its place, I have the honor to state that I inspected the locality along with Mr. Bocquet and others and I concur with the views expressed by Mr. Bocquet in his inspection report dated 20th June 1923. I told Mr. Bocquet at the time of inspection that he was the technical officer with abundant experience on the Kolar Gold Field and that I found no reasons to differ from him.

2. The Minerva Mills at whose instance and for whose convenience the magazine has to be removed having consented to bear the cost of the construction of a new Magazine Company having agreed to the proposal made and the place selected being in accordance with the -- rules, I consider that the proposal may be sanctioned. The only objection received in response to the notice published under the rules is from a few residents of Kethamaranahalli village. But Mr. Bocquet has given valid reasons to overrule it.

3. The enclosures received with your letter and the blue print showing the locality are herewith submitted. The delay in the office is very much regretted.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B Seetharama Rao

Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District.

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Letter No. IC.7815 dated the 27th June 1923 from the Secretary to Covernment, Revenue Department, to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

I am directed to forward herewith for reference and return copies of correspondence between the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore and Messrs. N. Sirur & Co., Managing - Agents, Minerva Mills, Ltd., Bangalcre, regarding the question of removal and rebuilding of Messrs. Nobles Explosives Magazines, Kethmaranahalli, Bangalore City, and to request you to be so good as to state at what stage the question is and to furnish your opinion in the matter, as an early decision is necessary in the interests of general safety. The matter may kindly be treated as urgent.

"C O P Y"

V. Subrahmanyasastri

Superintendent,
Industries and Commerce Branch.

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Letter No.M.406/23 dated 7th July 1923 from Messrs.N.Sirur & Co., Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Ld., Bangalore, to the Agent, Nobel's Explosives Co., Ltd., No.8 Cottonpet, Bangalore.

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With reference to your letters dated 12th Sept. '22 and 11th October '22 regarding the removal and rebuilding of Messrs. Nobel's Explosives Co.'s Magazines in Ketmaranhalli, we have finally decided to carry out our original proposal of rebuilding the magazines 800 fee further north of their present positions. This proposal as you are aware had already been sanctioned by your principals. As the Deputy Commissioner is urging us to commence the work early, we shall be obliged if you will allow us all facilities for the construction. The exact site 800 feet further north where your principals would like to have the new magazines may be also located early so that the site may be cleared and building work may be soon taken in hand.

"C O P Y"

R. Bozquet.
CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES
IN MYSORE.

M.S.

Letter dated 11th July 1923 from the Agent, Nobel's Explosives Company, Ltd., Bangalore City, to the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.

I have the honour to enclose herein a letter received by me from the Minerva Mills Ltd., Bangalore asking me to give them facilities for removing and reconstructing the present magazines, for your kind perusal and return.

I have not received any communication from the Deputy Commissioner sanctioning the removal nor had I any information from your goodself. It is the desire of my principals that the removal should have your sanction. Also it is our desire that the plan of the new magazines must have your sanction. If permission has been granted by the Government to have the magazines removed and reconstructed I shall be glad to inform you the views of my Principals regarding the plan of the new magazines.

Soliciting the favour of a reply.

"C O P Y"

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CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES

IN MYSORE.

P.S.

Letter No.M.400/23 dated 5th July 1923 from Messrs.N.Sirur & Co., Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Ltd., Bangalore, to the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.

RE: REMOVAL AND REBUILDING OF MESSRS. NOBEL'S EXPLOSIVES CO'S MAGAZINES.

We have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 21st ultimo, forwarding us a copy of your inspection report of the site off Mysore Road, surrounding disused explosives Magazines formerly belonging to the Carbonite Syndicate Ltd., and regret to note that you do not favour our proposal to have the new magazines located on this site. Under the circumstances, the only proposition feasible to us is to carry out our original suggestion to have the magazines shifted 800 feet further north of their present position.

We have the honour to draw your attention to the concluding para of our letter of the 23rd May on the subject and shall be obliged if you confirm early that the natural formation of the proposed ground is such that the northern and southern slopes afford the protection of a screen wall so that the prohibited zone for buildings is reduced to a radius of 295 yards.

We shall also thank you to send us early your formal sanction of our proposal and arrange for facilities with Messrs. Nobel's Explosives Co., so that the work may be soon taken in hand. We are writing separately to Messrs. Best & Co., the agents, on the matter.

" C O P Y "

R. Bocquet.
CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES
IN MYSORE.

INSPECTION OF SITE, SURROUNDINGS AND DISUSED EXPLOSIVES MAGAZINES, FORMERLY BELONGING TO THE CARBONITE SYNDICATE, LTD., (MESSRS. PARRY & CO:) AND NOW ABANDONED, CARRIED OUT ON THE 22ND M A Y 1923.

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These magazines are situated in a hollow on some land - owner or owners unknown - about ¼ mile north-west of the main road to Mysore, 3½ miles from the Public Offices (Secretariat) and 2½ miles from the Bangalore City Railway Station.

There are two buildings - the shells only remaining - one a converted "mantapam" in which detonators and fuse were stocked and the other a "pukka" granite edifice which contained high explosives - - maximum capacity 2½ tons - when the magazines were being used by the Carbonite Syndicate, Ltd. Neither of these buildings is of any - service in their present condition for the storage of explosives, and would have to be demolished and then rebuilt to meet with the requirements of the rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation.

The site seems to have been well-chosen in regard to the formation and natural contour of the surrounding ground, but is very - limited in area and would have to be greatly extended if magazines of larger capacity were required to be constructed. The main road - - Bangalore to Mysore - lies about a ¼ mile south-east of the present ruined buildings, the Bangalore-Mysore Railway approximately ½ mile west, while some little distance away to the north-east and north-west, respectively, are to be found some Municipal buildings and a small village. To the south the ground rises sharply and forms a natural protection on that side from existing objects. A graveyard - Mahomedan I was informed - is rapidly filling up the space between the site and the main road, some graves already being found on the western side of the site.

In my opinion there would be very little, if anything, gained in asking Messrs. Best & Co:, as agents of Nobel's Explosives Co: Ltd.,

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to consider the proposal made that their explosives magazines at Ketmarnhalli should be pulled down and rebuilt on this site. There are many objections such as the distance from the City Railway station involving 2½ miles cartage, the number of formalities to be carried out before the land is obtained even if it is available, the extra ground required for the construction of suitable buildings, the heavy expense necessary to do the work and a further delay of 12, 18 or possibly 24 months before the completion of such operations and, finally, that they (Messrs. Best & Co:) are the owners of the plot of ground on which the existing magazines stand, have been installed there for many years and therefore have a prior right, which merits consideration, before they are asked to give up their present holding and move further afield.

Whatever is finally decided upon in regard to this matter - whether the magazines have to be rebuilt or an earthen ramp put up round the existing ones - the whole of the expense will have to be borne by Messrs. Sirur & Co:, which I understand they have already agreed to do but ask that it should be kept as low as possible.

Sd. R. Bocquet,

Chief Inspector of Mines
in Mysore.

Oorgaum, K.G.F.,
20th June 1923.

"COPY"

R. Bocquet.
CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES
IN MYSORE.

M.S.

Public Offices,

Bangalore, 6th January 1924.

Dear Mr. Venkoba Rao,

I wish to have a talk with you about the buildings which are being put up by the Minerva Mills Co., near the Explosives Magazine of Messrs Best and Co. I shall feel obliged if you will come over and see me in my office sometime between 3 and 5 P.M. on Friday 11th instant.

Yours sincerely

/Signed/. K.R. Srinivasaiengar.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND EXPLOSIVES

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES IN MYSORE.

Dated Bangalore, 18th December, 1923

RECEIVED 19 DEC 1923 INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE BRANCH.

Dear Mr. Srinivasa Iyengar,

As I expect to be away on tour in the Shimoga District from the 23rd inst. for 10 or 12 days, I would ask you to kindly expedite the reply to my D.O. letter No. 691 dated 4/5 December 1923 in the matter of the renewal of the Explosives License to Messrs. Best & Co.'s agent, Bangalore, for the year 1924 (application already made by the agent and fee paid), the license for the current year expiring on the 31st inst.

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Yours sincerely,

K. Bosquet.

K. R. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., M.A.,
Second Member of Council,
Bangalore.

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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No. J. C. 4137

Date of issue 7-1-24

To The District Magistrate
Bangalore District.

Signed by [illegible]

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your Endt No JC 228/1923 14-12-23 regarding the question of the removal and rebuilding of the Explosives Magazines belonging to Messrs Nobels Explosives Co Ltd at Kettemaranahalli in the Bangalore Taluk, I am directed to inspect the place and request you to be so good as to make the necessary enquiries and submit a report to Govt within 4 days on the following points.

(1) To what the lands situated between the within a distance of 1000 feet from the magazines in the direction of the Mineral Wells belonged before they were acquired in favour of the Wells.

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(2) "Whether Messrs Linn & Co, managing Agents of the Minerva Mills Ltd have built or are building or are constructing any buildings within the distance objected to by the Inspector of Mines & Explosives vide his letter No. 1 dated 6th Jan 24 from the magazine.

(3) In case any buildings are constructed or are being constructed, a notice may be immediately issued under Section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code to the party concerned that they should not put up any buildings within 1000 feet of the magazines and that if any have been already built, the same should not be used until further orders.

(3) A plan showing the land belonging to the Minerva Mills, the buildings already constructed there, those now under construction or proposed to be constructed by the company, the number of employees employed in each of the buildings and the distance of the buildings from the magazine.

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List of enclosures.

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From BRANCH:

The Secretary Nasik Municipality Sanglee District

To The Secretary to the Govt of Bombay Revenue Department Sanglee.

Dated

Despatched 9-1-24

Received

General No. 9C 2228 of 29

No. 1924

Enclosure No.

Sir,

With reference to your Letter No — 9. C 4137 dated the 7th January 1924 on the removal of the Nasik Explosive magazine

Submitted with a draft reply today 12-1-24.

Issue today

12-1-24

Issued No 9.C 4274 of 1924

N. B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

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Date of issue 12-1-24

Signed by M. S. N. Rao

Section Geol

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To The District Magistrate
Bangalore ot

Sir

With reference to your letter no Je 228/23-24 dt 9-1-24, I am directed to forward herewith the blue print-map showing the position of the Nobels Explosives Magazines at Kettemarahalli in the Bangalore Taluk for reference & retransmission into your office.

I have the
12.1.24
honour to be
Sir
Your obedient servant

over.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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D.O. No. 4276/Genl 22-23-1

Before

D. 12-1-24

To B Venkoba Rao Esq BA

Dc a Dist Magistrate

Bangalore Dt

Dear Sir,

In continuation of this office

letter no J.C. 4137/Genl 22-23-10 dt

7-1-24 regarding the question of the

removal & rebuilding of the explosive

Magazines belonging to Messrs

Nobels Explosives Co Ltd at Kettiguhalli in the Bangalore Taluk, I am

desired to forward herewith for necessary

action a copy of the memo of the

instructions as a result of

instructions given at the meeting held

in the Chambers of the Secretary

of Council on 11th inst.

I am Sir

Your obedient Servant

SD 12/1

for Secretary to Govt

VS

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SUBJECT .....

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Diary No. of letter replied to .....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 19-1-24

Signed by Mr S. N. R.

Section Genl

File No. 22-23

Serial No. Revdp

No. J. C. 4374.

To The District Magistrate
Bangalore District

Sir,

I am directed to invite your attention to the correspondence ending with this office letter no 4276 dt 12-4-24 regarding the removal & rebuilding of the explosives magazines at belonging to Messrs Nobels Explosives Co Ltd at Kettigeranhalli in the Bangalore Taluk, and to request that a report on the subject therein called for may be ~~submitted to Govt at very early date within days~~ Expedited.

I have etc

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Secretary to Govt Revdp

Over.

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No. G.C.228 Cus.-Cus. 23.24

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bellary District.

Dated Bangalore, 20th January 1924.
Camp Devanahalli, 21st January 1924

GOVT. SECRETARIAT
23 JAN 1924
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
BRANCH

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter No. I.C.4374/Geol.22-23 dated 19th January 1924, I beg to state that by appointment I met Mr. Tombat, the representative of the Minerva Mills at the District Office yesterday (19-1-1924). He said that Messrs. Best & Co. have no objection to build a new magazine in the new place 800 feet away, but said he wanted assurances about the new site on certain points from the Chief Inspector of Explosives. I have written a letter to the Chief Inspector of Explosives (copy enclosed) and as soon as I hear from him, I shall fix a meeting in Bangalore with both the Representatives of the Minerva Mills Ltd., and Messrs. Best & Co. Thereafter if Messrs. Best & Co. submit an application for a license steps will be taken to get it sanctioned in accordance with the view to be expressed by the Chief Inspector of Explosives.

2. I have written to the Chief Inspector of Explosives, as Mr. Tombat told me that if the assurance about the northern and southern slopes of the new site is not given, the Minerva Mills may decide to put up the same room the same magazine.

Yours sincerely,

To

K. V. Anantaraman, Esq., I.A.S.,
Secretary to the Government of Industries
and Commerce, Revenue Department.

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No. J.C. 228 Cus-one
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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

Dated Bangalore, 20th January 1924
Camp Devanahalli, 21st Jan. 1924.

From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

To

R. Bocquet, Esq., J.P.,
Chief Inspector of Explosives in Mysore.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that Government want very early disposal of the question of shifting the Nobel's Explosives Magazine in Ketmaranahalli near Bangalore.

2. The Managing Agents of the Minerva Mills, Ltd., in para 2 of their letter dated 5th July 1923 addressed to you (copy enclosed for ready reference) want to have definite confirmation from you as to whether "the natural formation of the proposed ground in the new place at which the Magazine is to be built is such that the northern and southern slopes afford the protection of a screen wall so that the prohibited zone for buildings is reduced to a radius of ~~295xx yardsx~~ 295 yards." Kindly let me have your views very early in the matter.

3. With respect to para 3 of your letter No.1645-47 dated 14 April 1923 to Messrs. Sirur & Co., Managing Agents of the Minerva Mills, Ltd., Bangalore, I am under the impression that it has to b read with and governed by the instructions given by Government in the Notes of ~~Inspection~~ Instruction dated 11th January 1924 which I have received, an extract of which is as follows:--

"It should be made clear that the present Magazine should be pulled down till the new one is completed, unless Messrs. Best Co. are prepared to make other arrangements to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Mines for storing explosives in the interval."

Please let me know what your final views in this matter ar

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in the light of the instructions of Government.

4. After hearing from you I have under instructions of Government to send for the representatives of the Minerva Mills, Ltd., and Messrs. Best & Co. and take an application for the rebuilding of the Magazine in the new place 800 feet away.

5. Your early reply is necessary as Mr. Tombat told me on the 19th instant that the question of building ramps round the existing Magazines will be reconsidered by the Minerva Mills if the assurance desired (vide para 2 above) about the northern and southern slopes of the new site cannot be given.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd. B. Venkoba Roo

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

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B. Venkoba Roo
1st Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore Dist

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No.J.C.228 of 23-24. Office of the District Magistrate,
6.2.24. Bangalore District.

Dated Bangalore, 6th February 1924.

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From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,
District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

To

K.V.Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.J.C.4374/Genl.22-23 dt the 19th January 1924 re the removal of the Nobels' Explosive Magazine from its present place, I have the honour to state that the subject was discussed at a meeting of the marginally noted officers and Representatives of the Firms convened on the 5 instant and I shall address the Government in the matter as soon as a reply to my communication is received from the Chief Inspector of Mines.

1. Deputy Commissioner.
2. Chief Inspector of Mines.
3. Mr. S.R.Tombat of Messrs.Sirur & Co.
4. Mr.T.Cumming of Messrs.Best & Co.
5. Mr.S.A.Srinivasan,Local Representative of Nobels' Explosive Magazine.

2. I have sent the application from Messrs. Best & Co. for rebuilding the Magazines to the Chief Inspector of Mines with my certificate that the place is suitable and that the Chief Inspector of Mines may prescribe the necessary restrictions and precautions. The Chief Inspector of Mines has to take further action under Chapter VI of the Explosives Rules.

3. Mr. Tombat of Messrs. Sirur & Co. said that they would be able to rebuild the Magazines in the new place in 6 months. They have been definitely told that the table of distances from the existing Magazines must be maintained until the new Magazines are ~~building~~.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Dist.Magistrate,Bangalore District.

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GEN. SECRETARIAT
Serial No. 1
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
BRANCH.

Office of the District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

D.O. Dated Camp Kadagodi, Hoskote Taluk,
8th February 1924.

Dear Sir,

I submit for information copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Bocquet, Chief Inspector of Mines after the interview with Mr. D. N. Sirur.

I am awaiting the reply from the Chief Inspector of Mines for further action.

Yours sincerely,
B Sambasiva Rao

To

K.V.Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Please send with reference to the receipt of the

D.O. Office of the District Magistrate,

No. J C.228 Encl. Bangalore District.
23.2.24

Dated Bangalore, 6th February 1924.

Dear Mr. Hocquet,

Mr. D. M. Sirur saw me this afternoon and spoke to me about your strong recommendation for the construction of ramps round the existing godowns at Bathamanahalli after all applies to him and he wanted to know whether he could now accept that recommendation. I said that I had already sent the papers to you with my opinion that permission may be granted for construction of the magazines at the new site with such restrictions and conditions that may be prescribed by you. I thought you said yesterday that with the construction of ramps round the existing buildings consent in writing of the workmen should be taken. In view of the low level of knowledge of workmen in Mysore, I would not place much reliance on the consent in writing from workmen and would prefer arrangements where no such consent in writing is necessary.

Yours sincerely,

S.d. B. Venkatesa Rao

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B. Venkatesa Rao

Dist. Magistrate, Bangalore Dist.

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Office of the District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

No.J.C.228/23-24. Dated Bangalore, 13th February 1924.

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GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
14 FEB 1924
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE BRANCH.

From

B.Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,
District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

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Dy. No.
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C. D. SECTION

To

K. V. Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.J.C.228/23-24 dated 8th February 1924 submitting for information copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Bocquet, Chief Inspector of Mines after the interview with Mr. D. N. Sirur, I have the honour to submit herewith for information copy of a letter dated 12th February 1924 from Mr. D. N. Sirur of the Minerva Mills, Ltd., stating that he considers that it would be safer to move the magazines further North etc, and to state that I have already recommended the new site to Mr. Bocquet. Further action by Mr.Bocquet is awaited.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B Venkoba Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Letter dated 12th February 1924 from Mr.D.N.Sirur, of Messrs. N.Sirur & Co., Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Limited, to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

Since I saw you last week I saw Mr. Bocquet also in the matter of shifting the Magazines further North, and I consider it would be safer to move the Magazines further North as promosed at the Conference last week. We are taking up the work of clearing the new site for the magazines, and we shall be obliged if you will kindly issue the necessary license to Messrs. Best & Co.

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B Lakshmi Rao

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist.

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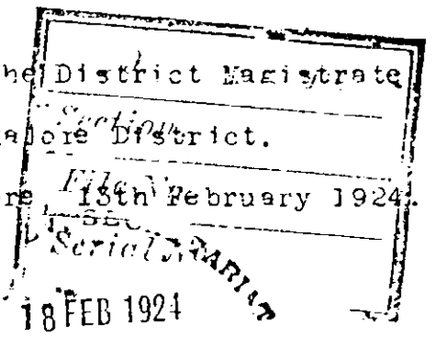
Office of the District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Dated Bangalore, 18th February 1924.



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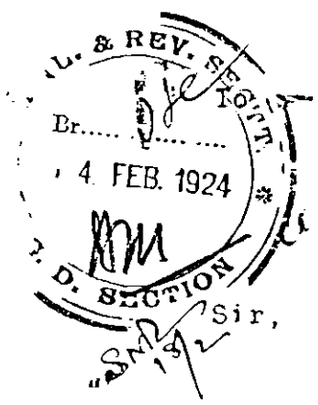
District Magistrate, Bangalore District.



K. V. Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.J.C.228 of 23-24 dated 6th February 1924 re the removal of the Nobels' Explosives Magazine from its present place, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of Memo No.1079 dated 11th February 1924 together with a copy of its enclosure received from Mr. R. Bocquet, Chief Inspector of Mines. . From the enclosure (i.e. the letter addressed to Messrs. Sirur & Co.) it will be seen that the Minerva Mills have been asked as to whether they would agree to a certain stipulation and on receipt of a further communication from Mr. Bocquet I shall submit a further report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B Venkoba Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Letter No.1078 dated 11th February 1924 from the Chief Inspector of Mines to Mr. D.N.Sirur, Messrs. N.Sirur & Co., Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Ltd., Bangalore City.

Removing and rebuilding of Messrs. Best & Co.'s Explosives Magazines near Bangalore City.

Following our discussion in this office on the afternoon of the 8th instant (as arranged by telegram) regarding the above subject and the various proposals put forward by you as alternatives, viz. (1) the construction of an earthen ramp round the existing magazines to effectively screen them from Mill buildings as laid down in the Table of Distances attached to the rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation, (2) the removal and rebuilding of the Magazines on a site 800 feet further north and (3) the acquisition of a fresh site in some convenient locality (off the Lagaci Road suggested) but well away from the Mill and other buildings now under construction, I beg to inform you that I still hold to my original proposal -No.1 of the above three- as I consider an earthen ramp, properly constructed, would meet the circumstances of the case and at the same time comply with the Explosives Rules granted that no buildings are erected by your Company north of the line formed by the big "nullah" which originally constituted the northern boundary of your property.

If you will agree to this stipulation <u>while the magazines exist on their present site</u>, the construction of the earthen ramp may be proceeded with apace, as the mill buildings <u>now being put UP</u> will be outside the prohibited area or zone laid down on the Table of Distances, which can be halved - i.e. the distances - by virtue of the protection afforded to such buildings by the ramp.

Kindly inform me at your earliest convenience whether you are prepared to agree to the above stipulation and be good enough to confirm it in writing.

No.1079. Dated 11th February 1924.

Copy forwarded, with compliments, to the District

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Magistrate, Bangalore District, Bangalore, for information and record in continuation of his D.O.letter No.J.C.228/23-24 dated 6th February 1924 posted 10th and received this morning.

As will be seen in the above letter, Mr. Sirur discussed the same question with me on the 8th instant -earthen ramp round the existing magazines - that two days' previously he saw you about. I am satisfied that a ramp will meet the case and at the same time comply with the Explosives Rules, granted that Messrs. Sirur & Co. will adhere to the stipulation made by me. The distances to be kept clear between the Magazines and surrounding buildings, objects, etc. may then be halved, in which case the consent of the workmen is not necessary, as the actual distance from the Magazines to the nearest mill building (1040 ft.= 347 yards) exceeds that required by the Rules (590 yds. ÷ 2 = 295 yds.)

Sd. R. Bocquet.
Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.

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B Sambasiva Rao

District Magistrate, Bangalore Dist.

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SUBJECT .....

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Diary No. of letter replied to .....

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Date of issue 20-2-24

Signed by S.N.R.

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File No. 22-23.

Serial No. 17

No. 5020

To The District Magistrate

Bangalore District

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending in your letter no GC 220/23-24. dt 13-2-24 regarding the question of the removal of Messrs Nobels Explosives Magazines, I am directed to request you to be good as to ~~submit~~ Submit ~~one~~ a report to Govt early, ~~not later than~~ by 22nd inst final action taken by you instead of submitting piecemeal and interim reports.

I have etc

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Dist. Magistrate

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Dated Bangalore, 21st February '24.

No. JC 228 of 23-24

From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,
District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

To

K.V.Anantharaman, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.J.C.228 of 1923-24 dated 13th February 1924, re the removal of the Nobles Explosive Magazine from its present site, I have the honor to submit herewith copies of the

1. Mr.Bocquet's letter No.1111 dated 14th February 1924 to Messrs N.Sirur & Co.
2. Mr.Bocquet's letter No.1116 dated 15th February 1924 to this office.
3. Letter dated 12th February 1924 from Messrs Sirur & Co, to Mr.Bocquet.
4. Certificate dated 5/15th February 1924.

) marginally noted communications, and to state

that as in the opinion of the Chief Inspector of Explosives also permission may be granted to build the Magazine in the proposed site, the application will be granted if approved by Government.

2. Messrs Sirur & Co, have in their letter dated 19th instant addressed to the Chief Inspector of Mines(copy received herewith the latter's No. 1143 dated 20th instant)stated that they have started clearing the site for the new Magazines pending the grant of a formal license. I am -- writing to them that I am addressing the Government in the matter.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B. Venkoba Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

(1) Letter No.1111 dated 14th February 1924, from the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore, to the Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Ltd., Bangalore City.

Removal and Rebuilding of Messrs,Nobel's Explosives Magazines, Ketmaranahalli, Bangalore City.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Mr.D.M.Sirur's D.O. letter dated 12th instant on the above subject in reply to my letter No.1078 dated 11th instant, addressed to him, on the same subject following a meeting arranged at this office on the 8th instant at which both Mr.Sirur and Mr.Tombat were present. At this meeting it was agreed, after some discussion, that an earthen ramp put up round the existing magazines to effectively screen them from all surrounding buildings and objects(under construction and otherwise) would conform to the rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation.

Since then it would appear that the matter has been reconsidered by your firm and Mr.Sirur writes that they have come to the conclusion that it would ultimately be to their advantage if the magazines were moved and reconstructed on the site selected, 800 ft. N. of the existing buildings. This decision had already been arrived at on more than one occasion by the firm - the last time at the meeting held at the District Magistrate's office, Bangalore, on the 5th instant when, besides Mr.Venkaba Rao(District Magistrate and Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District) and myself, the following gentlemen were present:-

Mr.Cumming of Messrs Best & Co., Madras
,, S.A.Srinivasan, Agent for Messrs Best & Co.,Madras (Nobel's Explosives Co,Ltd).
and ,, Tombat, representative of Messrs Sirur & Co.

As Mr.Sirur states in his letter of the 12th instant, that the work of clearing the site is now being taken in hand, it is presumed that this decision on the firm's part is final and may therefore be approved of subject to the conditions laid down in the last two paras of this office letter No.1645/47 dated 14th April 1923

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forwarding copy of my report of the inspection of the locality and surroundings carried out on the 23rd February 1923.

In the interests of all concerned and to expedite and complete the work of building the new magazines on the site approved, 800 ft.further north - which I am given to understand will take approximately six months no further changes in the decision now come to should either be contemplated or permitted, otherwise the subject(already long delayed)will never be disposed of.

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(2)
No.1116 Dated 15th February 1924.

Copy forwarded with compliments, to the District Magistrate, Bangalore District, for information in continuation of the correspondence on the subject ending with his letter No.J.C.228/23-24 dated 13th February 1924. It is to be hoped that Messrs Sirur & Co, have now arrived at a final decision regarding these magazines, thus definitely disposing of the matter and that the work of cutting the necessary excavation will be proceeded with forthwith.

The procedure to be adopted in chapter VI(Magazines) of the rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation and the formalities attached -- thereto - inspection of site, locality, etc, enquiry into any objections made - having all been completed, there is no necessity to repeat these formalities. The application may therefore be granted.

This certificate of approval is returned, herewith duly endorsed.

Sd/-R.Bocquet,
Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.

"C O P Y"

D Sambasiva Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

I approve of the proposed site 800 feet away subject to such restrictions and precautions as the Chief Inspector of Mines considers necessary.

Sd/- B. Venkoba Rao,

Bangalore,
5/2/'24.

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

No.1115 dated 15th February 1924.

The only restrictions to be observed are those laid down in Rules 33 and 34 under the Mysore Explosives Regulation, Chapter VI.

The precautions to be adopted are that no heavy blasting should take place in the vicinity, i.e.only light charges used if any blasting has to be done while making the excavation for the new magazines and that one of the new buildings must be completed and ready for use before either of the existing magazines is -- demolished or the contents touched (removed).

Sd/- R.Bocquet,

Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.

"C O P Y"

B Venkoba Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Letter dated 12th February 1924 from Mr.D.N.Sirur of Messrs N.Sirur & Co., Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Ltd., Bangalore, to the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore, Oorgaum.

Since we saw you on Friday last, we carefully considered the merits of the alternative proposals of shifting the magazines further 700 ft. or of putting up a ramp round the existing magazines and have come to the conclusion that it would ultimately to our advantage to move the magazines further 700 ft. or so, as proposed at the meeting with the Deputy Commissioner last week. We are taking in hand the work of clearing the site and shall advise you when the same is ready for putting up the structure.

"C O P Y"

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

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DIARY NO 3495 (111)

No.J.C.228 of 1923-24. Office of the District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.
Dated Bangalore, 26th February 1924.

From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,
District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

To:

K. V. Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.J.C.228 of 1923-24 of the 21st instant re the removal of the Nobels' Explosive Magazine from its present site, I have the honour to submit herewith copy of Mr. Bocquet's letter No.1162 of the 23rd instant opining that no new license is necessary as the new Magazines to be built are identical with the existing ones and the quantity of explosives to be stored is the same viz. 12,000 lbs. But as it seems to me that sanction of Government is necessary under Rule 35 of the Explosive Rules, even in cases under reference I am writing to Mr. Bocquet that I have sent a copy of his letter to Government.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

The previous papers have been noted to the 2nd member Letter dt 26.2.24 on 26.2.24
May this be noted in continuation.
Please put up the Rules

D.O.No.1162 dated 23rd February 1924 from the Chief Inspector of Mines and Explosives, to the District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

RE: REMOVAL AND REBUILDING OF MESSRS. NOBEL'S EXPLOSIVES MAGAZINES NEAR BANGALORE.

With reference to your letter No.J.C.228 of 1923-24 dated 21st instant addressed to Messrs. N. Sirur & Co., Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Ltd., Bangalore (copy forwarded to me for information) I beg and hasten to ask on what points you wish to address Government in the matter?

An application for the removal and rebuilding of the Magazines (to be carried out by Messrs. Sirur & Co.) having been received from Messrs. Nobel's Explosives Co., Ltd., the joint inspection of the spot, etc. completed, the new site chosen (within the area held by Messrs. Best & Co. on behalf of Nobel's Explosives Co.,Ltd.) and agreed to by all the parties concerned at the meeting held in your office on the 5th instant and subsequent correspondence on the subject it only remains for me to follow up the formalities prescribed in Rules 33 and 34 of the Explosives Rules - Chapter VI, Magazines, which I intend to do after some progress has been made in the excavation work for the new site. Since the new magazines to be built are identical with the existing ones and the quantity of explosives to be stored the same viz. 12,000 lbs. (hence the distances to be kept clear round the magazines are also the same) no new license is necessary in my opinion, that already issued to the Agent, Messrs. Best & Co., for the calendar year 1924 being sufficient. The latter will have to be amended in regard to the situation of the new magazines (800 ft.further N.) A recommendation to this effect will be made after an inspection of the spot on completion of the work in hand.

If a formal license (permission) is required by Messrs. Sirur & Co. to carry out this work (and is deemed necessary) the same may be granted by you, subject to the precautions contained in my endorsement No.1115 dated 15th February 1924 to your Certificate dated 5th February 1924 approving of the site 800

ft.N. of the existing magazines, or any further precautions that may be found necessary during the course of reconstruction.

No further formalities appear to be necessary under the circumstances.

With kind regards.

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~~District Magistrate~~, Bangalore Dist.

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GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
15 MAR 1924
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
BRANCH

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

Dated Bangalore 14th March 1924.

Dear Sir,

I submit herewith for information a copy of D.O. that I have addressed today to Mr. Bocquet in the matter of shifting the Nobels' Explosives Magazine to a site 800 feet away from the old Magazine.

Yours sincerely,

B Lakshmana Rao

To

K. V. Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Rev. Department.

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Bangalore District.

Dated Bangalore 14th March 1924.

Dear Mr. Bocquet,

Mr. Sirur's Agent Mr. Tombat brought to my notice personally that the site we selected was really not 800 feet from the existing Magazine and that Mr. Tirumalacharya who represented the Nobels' Explosives Magazine Company made a mistake on the date of our inspection in pointing out the land. It is said that it was only when the excavation was being made that the mistake was discovered. I saw the place which is 800 feet away from the existing Magazine. The only point about this new site is whether it is sufficiently distant from Siddanumanna Dinne. I send herewith a blue print showing the position of the new site. If you approve of the new site on which the new Magazine buildings are proposed to be erected, I will take further action in the matter. I see no objection myself. I shall be thankful for a line in reply so that I may communicate your decision to Messrs. Sirur & Company. You may also write to Messrs. Sirur & Co.

Yours sincerely

Sd. B. Venkoba Rao.

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B Venkoba Rao

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist.

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Office of the District Magistrate,
Bangalore District,
Dated Bangalore, 20th March 1924.

JC 228 of 23-24

From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,
District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

To

K. V. Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,
Revenue Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

(x) In continuation of this office letter No.J.C.228 of 23-24 of the 14th instant, in the matter of shifting the Nobles' Explosives Magazine to a site 800 feet away from its present place, I have the honor to - submit herewith copies of the marginally noted communications in the matter and to state that in company with the Agent of Messrs Sirur & Co., and the Amildar of the Bangalore Taluk, I inspected the spot on the morning of the 27th February 1924. As the new site which is 800 feet away from the old magazine the requirements of the Explosives Rules as opined by the Chief Inspector of Explosives, formal sanction of Government may be obtained to the proposal

1. Mr.Bocquet's letter No.1168 dated 23/25th February 1924,
2. " Sirur's letter No.M.929/24 dated 22nd February 1924
3. " Sirur's letter No.M.946/24 dated 28th February 1924. to this office.
4. " Bocquet's letter No.1319 dated 17th March 1924 to this office with that of its enclosure.

2. The blue print showing the existing and proposed positions of the Magazine is herein enclosed for reference and obliging return when done with.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B Venkoba Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Letter No.~~1167~~ 1167. dated 23rd/25th February 1924 from the Chief - Inspector of Mines in Mysore, Oorgaum, to Messrs. N.Sirur & Co., - Managing Agents, Minerva Mills,Ltd., Bangalore City.

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RE: REMOVAL AND REBUILDING OF MESSRS. NOBEL'S EXPLOSIVES MAGAZINES, KETHMARNAHALLI, BANGALORE CITY.

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With reference to your letter No.M.929/24 dated 22nd instant, stating that the site exactly 800 ft. N. of the existing magazines, as shown in the blueprint accompanying your letter, "will have as before the full shelter of natural rising ground on all sides except the east", I have the honor to inform you that it is probably equally as good as in every way as the one selected by us a year ago, 570 ft. N. No objection can therefore be raised to the new site, granted that the natural protection afforded by the rising ground, after the excavation is completed, meets with the requirements of the Explosives Rules (Table of Distances). The work of clearing the new site may therefore be proceeded with.

No.1168Enc.1.

Copy of the above, together with a copy of Messrs. N.Sirur & Co, s letter under reply, is forwarded, with compliments, to the District Magistrate, Bangalore District, for information and record in continuation of this office D.O.No.1162 dated 23rd instant. Any opinion he has to offer in this connection or suggestions to make will be gladly received and considered by the undersigned

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"C o p y"

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Letter No.M.929/24 dated 22nd February 1924 from Messrs.N.Sirur and Co., Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Ltd., to the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.

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Re: Removal and Rebuilding of Messrs.Nobel's Explosives Magazines, Kethmarnahalli village, Bangalore City.

With reference to our letter M.917 dated the 19th instant, stating that we were taking in hand the work of clearing the site for the new magazines, we beg to send herein enclosed a blueprint showing the site selected by Mr.Bocquet. At the time of Mr.Bocquet's inspection of the grounds, the local representative of Messrs.Best & Co., gave us to unde stand that the watercourse was his Northern limit and as there were no lands belonging to his company on the N., the site on the S., of the watercourse in the immediate shelter of the rising ground was considere suitable. This site, we regret to inform, measures only 570 feet from the existing magazines as against 800 feet proposed by us. Messrs. Best & Co's local representative now complains to us that in the above position there will be very little ground space on the west side of the magazines and as he has discovered recently that the lands on the northern site of the watercourse also belong to his company, desires that the new magazines should be located exactly 800 feet from the existing magazines. This site is shown on our blueprint. In the new position shown, the magazines will be just as much as to the north of the watercourse as the site selected is to the south. There will be ample ground space on all four sides as required by Best& Co's representative and the site will have as before the full shelter of natural rising ground on all sides except the east.

Under the above circumstances, we have had to stop the work of clearing the site shown by Mr.Bocquet and are arranging to proceed with the clearing work on the northern side shown on the blueprint, pending your kind approval.

"C o p y"

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Letter No.M.946/24 dated 28th February 1924 from Messrs. Sirur and Co., Managing Agents, Minerva Mills,Ltd., Bangalore, to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

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RE: REMOVAL AND REBUILDING OF MESSRS. NOBEL'S EXPLOSIVES MAGAZINES, KETHMARNAHALLI, BANGALORE CITY.

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With reference to your personal inspection yesterday of the site proposed for the location of the new explosives buildings, we have the honor to forward herewith a blue-print showing the exact position of the new site relatively to the existing magazines and also the isolated cottage on Siddharamana Dinne.

The new site is 800 feet due north of the present buildings and is also 900 feet clear from the above cottage. The latter distance exceeds the distance permitted under the Table of Distances of the Mysore Explosives Rules, i.e. half 590 yds, halved in virtue of the shelter afforded by the natural rising ground.

A duplicate copy has been forwarded to Mr.Bocquet as desired by you.

" C o p y "

B Subba Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Letter No.M.947/24 dated 28th February 1924 from Messrs.N.Sirur and Co., Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Ltd., Bangalore, to the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.

Re: Removal and Rebuilding of Messrs.Nobel's Explosives Magazines, Kethmarnahalli, Bangalore City.

With further reference to our letter M.937 dated 26th instant, we have the honor to inform you that the proposed new site for the magazines was inspected yesterday by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore who instructed us to forward to your office a blue-print showing the exact position of the new site relatively to the existing magazines and the isolated cottage on Siddaramana Dinne. The new site is 800 f due north of the present explosives buildings and is also 900 feet - clear from the above cottage. The latter distance exceeds the distan allowed by the Tables of Distances under the Mysore Explosives Rules, i.e., exceeds half 590 yards, halved by virtue of the shelter afforde by the natural rising ground.

"C o p y"

B Sambasiva Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

D.O. ~~Letter~~ No.1319 dated 17th March 1924 from the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore, Oorgaum, to the District Magistrate, Bangalore Dist.

In reply to your D.O.letter No.J.C.228 of 23-24 dated 14th instant I beg to invite your kind attention to this office letter No.1167 dated 23/25th February 1924 addressed to Messrs. N. Sirur & Co., a copy of which was forwarded to you with this office Memo No.1168 dated 23/25th February 1924, approving of the site 800 feet N. of the existing magazines and to inform you that this site appears quite suitable for the construction of the new magazines and meets with the requirements of the Mysore Explosives Rules and therefore no further objection need be raised in the matter.

In regard to the isolated cottage at Siddaramannana Dinne, I am of opinion that it will be naturally protected by the intervening rising ground and by the walls of the excavation in which the Magazines are to be built and will also have sufficient clearance from the new magazines - vide para 3 and 4 of my report of the inspection of the locality carried out on the 23rd February 1923, a copy of which was forwarded to you with this office Memo No.1648 dated 14th April 1923. Messrs. Sirur & Co., have corroborated this fact in their letter No. M.947/24 dated 28th February 1924, a copy of which is herein enclosed for your information.

" C o p y "

B Sankara Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

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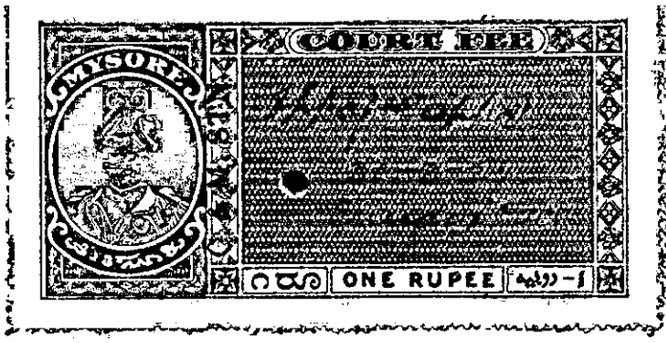

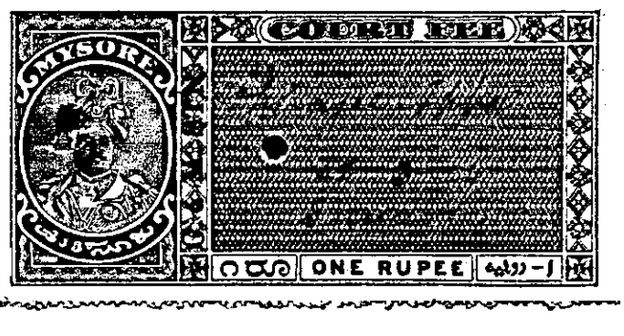

To

K.R. Sreenivasa Iyengar, Esq, M.A.,

Second Member in Council,

BANGALORE

Dated 31st March 1924.

Respected Sir,

We the ubdersigned residents of Bangalore and City, most respectfully beg leave to approach your honour with the follow:- ing our humble representation seeking redress at your generous hands.

2. We beg to submit that about a year and a half ago, we were approached by one C.Ramachandra Rao, with arepresentation that he was the owner of the land Bearing Survey No,67 in the Village of Kothamaranahalli, Yeswantapur Hobli, Bangalore Taluk, and that had he divided the same into house building sites after having taken the required permission from the Government to convert the said Cultivable Land into house building sites, and that if we were in need of the same, he was willing to dispose them of He also represented to us that he would do all the required impro vements to theland, such as laying out roads, conservancy lane &c Keeping implicit confidence in the words of the person we purchased several sites from him paing him liberal prices under duly registered documents.

3 We further beg to add that even though we waited sufficiently long, the said Ramachendra Rao, neither effected the promised improvements nor paid the Government dues according the - Land Revenue Rules. Thereupon we approached the Deputy Commissioner,Bangalore District in the Matter, and it is only then we came to understand that the said Ramachandra Rao, has not even obtained permission from the authorities to convert the said land into building sites, and as such we have been cheated by him in

all possible ways. We have been contemplating and taking the advise to proceed against the person in the matter, Finally he has also represented to us that he would get the compensation amount due to him by the Minerva Mills and that he would do all that is required. We also hear that this matter is pending decision before the District and Sessions Judge of Bangalore Division and the case also is not likely to be disposed early on account of the various claimants &c to the land thereof.

4 We beg to add that while we are subjected to this kind of trouble and anxiety, we have come to understand that in a day or two the Explosive Magazine is likely to be erected and made permanent near our Block, say at a distance of about a furlong or thereabouts and this has created a great fear in our hearts. If the Magazine is located so near to the block, the rules and the circumstances both, do not permit for any residential quarters to be erected at such a short distance to the Magazine. No doubt we are prepared to get the lands converted to the Building sites and houses built thereon at any cost holding the said C. Ramachandra Rao responsible for all our damages.

5 We beg leave to submit that by converting the said land into building sites or accepting them as such by the Government there will be a clear profit of Rs.30,000/- to the Government in the shape of assessment of the land for 30 years, the Municipality gets a revenue of about Rs.6,000/- per and the poor and helpless petitioners who have already paid heavy sums will also be saved. Yet there are sites to be sold and if the impediments are removed there are our own friends to purchase them.

6 We now most respectfully pray that the said Explosive Magazine may be directed to be erected in some other place and

thereby save the petitioners from utter ruin. If the Magazine is located near our block, indirectly it will be helping the said Ramachandra Rao to escape from all his liabilities to us or at least it will be a plea to him but utter misery to all of us. We are all poor and family people who have paid the money out of our pockets with the utmost difficulty.

7 We further beg to request that as earth work and other operations are already put in hands the authorities may kindly be directed to stop further work (Erection of the Magazine) until this our humble appeal is disposed off.

8 We are quite confident that the learned Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District is aware of all our difficulties personally, as we have also interviewed and petitioned him several times in the matter of the land.

9 . We once again pray for immediate stay order to the Explosive Department or the concerned authorities to stop the work as prayed above.

We beg to remain

Respected Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

M. Appajappa
6 L A. Varapillay Street
6 + m. Station, Bangalore

3/199 Sultanpett
Jeweller

Co. Subbaraya
Military Accounts Deptt
Madras Sh, Bangalore
(Site No 75)

Subbaraya, Head clerk
Town Duty office
Bangalore Cantt

N. V. Ramakoteswara Sundaram
Mg Branch
Head clerk, G.P.O Bangalore Pin code 8

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SUBJECT.....

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Serial No. 23

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OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,

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The accompanying Petition, Registered No. 4474 dated 31.3.24

.....191 received at the General and Revenue Secretariat from Appajappa & others, residents of Bangalore city complaining that one Ramachandra Rao has fraudulently sold 6 certain sites out of S.Nos 67 of Kathamenahalli Village without giving them the facilities for roads etc as promised & also that an explosive magazine is being erected near their block etc. is forwarded, ~~together with its enclosures,~~ to the Asst Comptr & the D.C Bangalore Dt for an early detailed report in the matter.

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Date of issue.....

Signed by.....

By Order,

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for Secretary to Government.

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Bangalore District,

No.P.1562/21-22 Dated Bangalore, 16th April 1924.

From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,

Deputy Commissioner,

Bangalore District.

To

K.V.Anantharaman, Esq., B.A.,

Secretary to the Government of His Highness

the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department,

Bangalore.

Sir,

R23 With reference to your Official Memorandum No.I and C.6280/Geol. 1922-23 dated 12th April 1924 forwarding for report a petition from Appajappa and others, residents of Bangalore City, in regard to the conversion of Survey No.67 of Kethamaranhalli village for building purposes, I have the honor to submit herewith the marginally noted files of papers on the subject and to state as follows:-

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building purposes had been obtained and prayed for being allowed to build upon their sites. Mr.Donne, having also renewed his application and the objection of the Municipal authorities having also been only in regard to their providing an approach road and other facilities, the matter was reopened and the orders of the Revenue Commissioner were sought for. After some further correspondence with the Municipal President, the Revenue Commissioner directed in his No.D.2 Dis.352 of 1923-24 dated 1st February 1924 that the permission might be granted provided an authoritative letter to use the land for building purposes was obtained from the Inspector of Explosives and subject to the applicant complying with the provisions of the Municipal and Revenue Laws. ~~Under~~ On an inspection of the locality and consultation with Mr. R. Bocquet, Chief Inspector of mines, it was found that the survey Nos.in question would come within the prohibited distance from the site to which the Noble's Magazine in Survey No.69 is proposed to be shifted at the request of the Managing Agents of the Minerva Mills Ltd, and the Chief Inspector of Mines was of opinion that no building should be allowed on these as well as on the surrounding survey Nos. Permission was accordingly refused and the present petition is an appeal -- against this order.

3. As regards the shifting of the Nobles Explosive Magazine from its present place, I would invite a kind reference to the correspondence ending with this office No.J.C.228 of 1923-24 dated 20/24th March 1924.

4. The petition received with your Memo under reply is herewith returned.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
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A Ishwara Rangam

For Deputy Commissioner,
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The Deputy Commissioner

Bangalore District

To INDUSTRIES & COMM

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To,

A. . Banerji Esqr., M.A., I.C.S., &c.,

DEWAN OF MYSORE,

BANGALORE.

Honoured Sir,

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BANGALORE,
2nd day 1924.

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Land Lord, Magadi.

K. Raghavachar, retired school master, manevarthehal Bangalore city

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P. Venkatanarayanappa, Teacher, Chetanpet Middle School, city.

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REVENUE & JUDICIAL SECRETARIAT

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

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Dated Bangalore, 31st March 1924.

E N D O R S E M E N T.

With reference to their petition dated the 24th March 1924 regarding the conversion of S.No.67 of Kethamaranahalli Village, Bangalore Taluk, for building purposes, Ganjam Nagappa and others of Bangalore City, are hereby informed that the conversion of S.NO.67 for building sites cannot be --- sanctioned as the construction of buildings thereon is contrary to Explosive Rules. Their request to shift the magazine cannot be complied with.

Sd/ B. Venkoba Rao,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

To, Mr. Ganjam Nagappa,
3/99 Sultanpet,
Bangalore City.

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Bangalore District,

Dated Bangalore, 31st March 1924.

E N D O R S E M E N T.

With reference to their petition dated the 24th March 1924 regarding the conversion of S.No.67 of Kethamaranahalli Village, Bangalore Taluk, for building purposes, Ganjam Nagappa and others of Bangalore City, are hereby informed that the conversion of S.NO,67 for building sites cannot be --- sanctioned as the construction of buildings thereon is contrary to Explosive Rules. Their request to shift the magazine cannot be complied with.

Sd/ B. Venkoba Rao,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

To, Mr. Ganjam Nagappa,
3/99 Sultanpet,
Bangalore City.

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OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, 12th May 1924.

C No. 3228/23-24
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FROM

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K. Chandy, Esq., B.A.,

Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Department.
Revenue

SIR

In submitting herewith for the orders of Government, a petition received at this office from Nagappa and others of Bangalore City, praying for permission to the conversion into building sites of S.Nos.67 and 68 of Kethamaranahalli village, Yeswantapur Hobli, Bangalore Taluk, I have the honour to state that Mr. H. Donne presented an application to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, on 30th September 1920 for the appropriation of the said survey numbers for building purposes. As the Municipal authorities who were consulted in the matter intimated that it was not possible to provide on approach road and otner facilities for water and lighting, permission was refused by the then Deputy Commissioner, Mr. M.A. Narayana Iyengar, while his successor in office, Mr. B. Ramaswamaiya, recommended their conversion into building sites after levying a special fine of Rs.1,000/- an acre as the applicant was willing to abide by the conditions imposed by the Municipality and as the explosive Magazine situated near the locality was proposed to be removed to a distant place (vide his letter No.P.1562/21-22 dated 11th September 1922). Subsequently it was ascertained that Mr. C. Ramachandra Rao to whom the lands in question were transferred was laying out an extension by opening out roads and disposing of sites. The purchasers of these sites requested permission to build upon their

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sites. The Deputy Commissioner, having been asked by this office to obtain and furnish the definite views of the Municipality re the suitability of the lands for building purposes, stated that the Municipality were of opinion that the locality was unsuited as it now is for residential purposes and that the party who intended to lay out an extension should have to do so at his own cost, ~~ex~~ abiding by the provisions of Section 91 of the Municipal Regulation. On the recommendation of the Deputy Commissioner, it was ordered in this office No.D(1).Dis.352/G1.23-24 dated the 7th February 1924 that permission might be granted provided an authoritative letter to use the land for building purposes was obtained from the Inspector of Explosives and subject to the applicant's complying with the provisions of the Municipal and Revenue Laws.

2. The Deputy Commissioner who was requested to furnish a report on the petition referred to in para 1 above, as to whether the magazine could not be shifted to any other suitable place so as to allow these valuable sites being built on, stated in reply that, on an inspection of the locality and consultation with the Chief Inspector of Mines, it was found that the survey numbers in question would come within the prohibited distance from the site to which ~~the~~/Noble's Magazine in S.No.69 of the village is proposed to be shifted, that the Chief Inspector was of opinion that no building should be allowed to be constructed on these as well as on the surrounding survey numbers, that he the Deputy Commissioner), being of the same opinion, refused permission accordingly and that there was no other suitable place in the neighbourhood where the Magazine could be shifted to. On the petition of Appajappa and other residents of Bangalore, the Deputy Commissioner has submitted a report in the matter direct to Government (vide his letter No.P.1562/21-22 dated 16/19th April 1924).

3. In this connection, I beg to state that Government stand to lose a revenue of Rs.31,000/- (viz.,fine of Rs.1,000/- on 31 acres), if permission were to be refused to the conversion of these lands into building sites. It is also difficult to understand why the Magazine should not be shifted further away so as to prevent this loss to Government. The Municipality, will of course, permit building

only if the Sanitary requirements are complied with, and hence, it seems to me that our Executive Chief Inspector of Mines, might be requested to select a sub-station which might be acquired at a small cost. As a considerable sum of money is involved, the matter is submitted for the orders of Government.

4. This office file No. D(1). Dis 352/EC 23-24 dated 7th Feby. 1924 on the subject is forwarded for reference and kind return when done with

Yours truly
(Sd) K. Chandy
Rev Comm

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Office of the Chief Inspector of Mines
in Mysore,
Oorgaum, dated 31st July 1924.

No. 190

From

R. BOCQUET. Esq.. J.P..

Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.

To

M. VENKOBA RAO, Esq.. B.A..

District Magistrate, BANGALORE.

Sir,

REMOVAL & REBUILDING OF MESSRS. NOBEL'S EXPLOSIVES MAGAZINES KETHARNAHALLI, BANGALORE CITY.

I have the honour to inform you that two inspections of the excavation made for the above buildings on the new site have been carried out by me on the 5th June and 30th July 1924, respectively, the excavation work is now practically completed. the position of the buildings marked out and the foundations started; these should be finished and ready for building operations proper to be commenced about the middle of August 1924.

2. Permission has been accorded to Messrs. N. Sirur & Co: to proceed with the work pending formal sanction of Government, which, I am informed, has already been applied for by them through you but has not yet been granted.

3 The formalities regarding the construction of Magazines as laid down in Chapter VI of the rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation, II of 1888, having been complied with, there should be no further delay in getting on with and completing the work in hand. It does not appear necessary for the formal sanction of Government to be obtained in regard to this matter after the site for the new buildings has been finally approved of.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

Sd. R. Bocquet,

CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES IN MYSORE.

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No. 1911 Dated Bangalore, 31st July 1924.

Copy forwarded, with compliments, to the Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department, Bangalore, for information and record.

R. Bourquet
CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES
IN MYSORE.

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Office of the District Ma
gistrate, Bangalore Distt
Dated, Bangalore, 2-8-2
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From

The District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

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INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
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To

The Secretary to the
Government of Mysore,
Revenue Department
Bangalore.

Dated.

No.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.J.C.228 of 23-24 dated -- 24-3-24 requesting that formal sanction of the Government to build the Nobel's Explosive Magazine in the new site may be obtained, I have the honor to forward herewith copy of letter No.190 dated 31-7-24 from the Chief Inspector of mines stating that, ~~that~~ -- excavation work is practically completed, that the position of the building is marked out and that the foundations are started.

I request that the sanction to construct the building may be accorded early.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Copy of letter No190 dated 31-7-24 from the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore to the District Magistrate Bangalore. ~~District~~.

Removal and rebuilding of Messrs.Nobel's Explosives Magazines --- Kethamaranahalli Bangalore City.

I have the honor to inform you that 2 inspections of the excavation made for the above buildings on the new site have been carried out by me on the 5th June and 30th July 24, respectively. The excavation work is now practically completed the position of the building marked out and the foundation started; these should be finished and ready for building operations proper to be commenced before the middle of August 1924.

Permission has been accorded to Messrs.N.Sirur and Co to proceed with the work pending formal sanction of Government, which I am informed has already been applied for by them through you but has not yet been granted.

The formalities regarding the construction of magazines as laid down in chapter 6 of the rules and of the Mysore Explosives Regulations II of 1868 having been complied with there should be no further delay in getting on with and completing the work in hand. It does not appear necessary for the formal sanction of Government to be obtained in regard to this matter after the site for the new building has been finally approved of.

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Bangalore District.

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SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to——————

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Date of issue 21-7-51

Signed by [illegible]

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Section Genl

File No. 22—23

Serial No 28

No. J. C 1386

To

The Dist. Magistrate

Bangalore

Sir,

With reference to Govt letter No. J. C. 228 of 23-24 Exp/51 requesting sanction of Govt for the construction of the Nobel's Explosives Magazine Bangalore. I am directed to enquire whether the construction of a new magazine on the fresh

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Justice of Queen has been
commenced by Lusaka: Lewis
etc. & if so on what stage
the work stands at present. and
~~I am directed to request~~
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if the work has not been
commenced, the same may
be abandoned & the balance held in
hegemee pending funds
which Govt. on the
estimates of Nagappan
thereon recommended by Govt.

praying for the selection of another site.

I am to state that
the matter may be treated as urgent &
Your reply sent before I leave Fiji
the end of this month & forwarded
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Sec. to Govt
Rev. Wyeth

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 26.8.1[illegible]

Signed by H. C. Bross

Section Genl

File No. 22—23

Serial No 29

No. I.C 1335/25 and 2[illegible] 2

To

the Revl: Court in

Mysore

Sir

With reference to Genl letter No. C 3228/23-24 & 12/8/24 submitting for the orders of Govt. a report on the petition of Nagappa & others praying for permission to the conversion into building sites of S. Nos. 67 & 68 of Kathamaranahalli village, Bangalore

over.

clent., I am directed to
request you to furnish information
on the following points :—

1) The extent of S. Nos. 67 & 68

2) Whether permission has
been asked for the construction
of houses on the whole of
the S. Nos or only a portion
thereof,

3) Whether the several
applicants to the sites
in question have agreed
to pay a fine at Rs. 1000/-
per acre

the information on the above points together with a
~~He also~~ # tracing of the
village map showing
therein S Nos. 67 & 68. as also
the one on which the Magazine
now stands and ~~which~~
the spot to which it is
proposed to be shifted
~~may also be sent herewith~~

~~The information asked for~~

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(*Continuation sheet draft form.*)

may be furnished undated & before the end of the Current months if possible.

the file of papers received with ~~from~~ & not letter under reference is hereunto returned

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SMD 26/8

Reg: to Govt Rev. Dept

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Ext 22-23-50

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND EXPLOSIVES.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES IN MYSORE.

No. 355. — *Dated Oorgaum*, 28th August 1924.

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FROM

R. BOCQUET, ESQUIRE, J. P.,
CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES IN MYSORE.

TO

B. VENKOBA RAO, Esq., B.A.,
District Magistrate, Bangalore District,
B A N G A L O R E.

SIR,

REMOVAL & REBUILDING OF MESSRS. NOBEL'S EXPLOSIVES MAGAZINES, BANGALORE.

With reference to your letter No. J. C. 228 of 23-24 dated 27-8-1924 enclosing copy of the Revenue Secretary's letter No. I.C. 1336/Geol. 22-23-28 dated 26th August 1924 to you on the above subject, I have the honour to invite reference to my letter No.190 dated 31-7-1924 following on my last inspection of the work done by Messrs. Sirur & Co. on the new site for the magazines.

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The work of excavation was then practically completed, the foundation work by now should also be completed and actual building operations probably in progress. It is not my intention to inspect the place again at present, as there is no necessity for it. Neither do I consider it justifiable or fair to ask Messrs. Sirur & Co. to stop the work at this stage, pending orders of Government on the petition of Nagappa and others (not received in this office) for the selection of another site.

The question of removing and rebuilding these magazines has been awaiting disposal for nearly three years as you are well aware. Objections for rebuilding the magazines on the new site were called for in your Notice No. J. C. 1494 dated 2nd June 1922 and a date fixed for hearing such objections. The only one raised was by the ryots of Siddaramannana Dinne, a hamlet of Ketmarnhalli, and this we found on our joint inspection of the locality in t h e

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presence of the patel and villagers to be frivolous. Finally the site, 800 feet north of the existing magazines, was approved of and permission granted to Messrs. Sirur & Co. in February last to proceed with the work of reconstructing the magazines; considerable progress has since been made by them.

The objection now raised by Nagappa and others is made two years after the time limit fixed by the Notice and is therefore out-of-order and should not be accepted. The site selected meets with the requirements of the Mysore Explosives Rules (Table of Distances) regarding surrounding objects. You are in possession or all the correspondence on the subject and no details need be given here. If cognizance is taken of objections raised now and hereafter, the question will never be disposed of or, at unyrate, interminably delayed.

Your letter to Messrs. Sirur & Co. has been transmitted to them for a report, as requested, but it does not give them much opportunity to reply by the 29th inst.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd. R. Bocquet,

CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES

IN MYSORE.

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GEN. & REV. JURISDN. D 1093 29 AUG 1924 INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE BRANCH.

No. 356 Dated Oorgaum, 28th August 1924.

Copy forwarded, with compliments, to the Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department, Bangalore, for information.

R. Bocquet.

CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES IN MYSORE.

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Enclosure No. one

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Office of the District Magistrate,
Bangalore District,
Dated Bangalore, 29th August 1924.

From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,
District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

To

K. V. Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Revenue Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.I.C.1336/Genl.22-23-28 of the 26th August 1924, enquiring whether the construction of a New Magazine on the fresh site selected by the Chief Inspector of Mines and myself has been commenced by Messrs. Sirur and Company, I have the honor to submit herewith copy of the Chief Inspector's letter No.355 of the 28th instant stating that at the time of his last inspection he found that the work of excavations had been completed, that the foundation work should also be completed by now and that actual building operations should be in progress. He also considers that the objection now raised by Nagappa and others is made two years after the time limit, and that it is therefore out of order and should not be considered. I agree with him.

2. The Government Order under reference has been communicated to - Messrs. Sirur and Co., and the Bangalore Sub Division Officer has also been requested to inspect the spot at once and send up his report. On receipt of their replies, the same will be communicated to Government.

I have the honor to be.

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B. Venkoba Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Letter No.355 dated 28th August 1924 from the Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore. Oorgaum, to the District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

REMOVAL AND REBUILDING OF MESSRS. NOBIL'S EXPLOSIVES MAGAZINES, BANGALORE.

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"C o p y"

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

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General No.

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Enclosure No.

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Office of the District Magistrate,

Bangalore District,

Dated Bangalore the 30th August 1924.

From

B.Venkoba Rao. Esquire, B.A.,

District Magistrate,

Bangalore District.

To Sd. V. Shanmaramma Esqr. B.A.

The Secretary,

to the Government of Mysore Revenue Department,

Sir

In continuation of this office/No.J.C.228 of 23-24 of yesterday's date, re the construction of a new building for the Nobles' Explosive Magazines at Bangalore, I have the honor to submit copy of letter No. M.558/24 of the 29th August 1924 received from the Managing Agents of the Minerva Mills, stating that the work of clearing the sites was completed about the end of July last at a cost of Rs.1300/- and that foundations have been laid at a cost of about Rs.500/-.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B. Venkoba Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

Letter No.M.558/24 dated 29th August 1924 from the Managing Agents, Minerva Mills, Bangalore to the District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

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With reference to your letter No.J.C.228 of 23-24 dated 27/28th instant, we have the honor to state that in accordance with instructinos received from the Chief Inspector of Mines as per his letter No.1167 dated the 23rd/25th February 1924, we commenced and completed the work of clearing the site for the new magazine and putting up ~~the~~ mud screen walls at a cost of Rs.1300/- about the end of July. This work was inspected by the Chief Inspector of Mines on the 30th July 1924 and permission having been granted to us to construct the magazines, as per his letter No.190 dated 31st July 1924 addressed to you, building operations were commenced. Foundation and concrete and masonary foundation and basement have been laid for both the magazines at a cost of about RR.500/-. So our total outlay up to date on the construction of the new magazines is about Rs.1800/-.

" C o p y "

B Sankara Rao

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

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Office of the District Magistrate,
Bangalore District,
Dated Bangalore, 4th September 1924.

Gen. & Rev. Secretariat 5-SEP 1924 Industries & Commerce Branch

From.

The District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Revenue Department,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

In continuation of this office No.J.C.228 of 23-24 dated the 30th August 1924, re: the construction of a new building for the Nobel's Explosive Magazines at Bangalore, I have the honor to state that the Assistant Commissioner in charge of Bangalore Sub Division, inspected the locality and reports that a large cutting has been made in the eastern side of the ridge and the building is being erected and it will probably be completed in a month or two. A copy of his report is herein enclosed.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

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Letter No.C.C.164 of 24-25 dated 29th/30th August 1924 from the Assistant Commissioner in charge of Bangalore Taluk, Bangalore, to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

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With reference to your letter No.J.C.228 of 23-24 dated 27th instant, calling for a report as regards the stage at which the construction of the Nobels' explosive magazine stands, I have the honor to state that the work connected with the proposed magazine has been going on for the last three or four months. A large cutting has been made in the eastern side of the ridge and a building is being erected which will probably be completed in a month or two.

"Copy"

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

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ROUTINE NOTES.

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., not intended for permanent record.]

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These files may be sent to S.-C Branch when the question of removal of the Explosives Magazine in the land, is being dealt with

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From C. Ramachandra Rao, 2nd Cross, Sampige Road Malleswaram re Construction of house in S. No. 67 Kattemanu halli village & address to the Dewan of Mysore.

Dewan's order

Reject unstamped.

(DO) RRS

3.9.24

Endt. IC 1957 dt.

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N. B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

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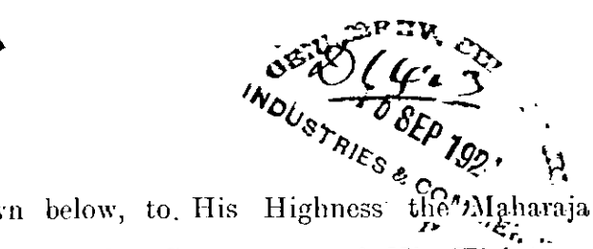
No. 748 / D 1177

OFFICE OF THE PRIVATE SECRETARY
TO HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,

Mysore 4-9-1924



Petition, as shown below, to His Highness the Maharaja is transferred to the Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Local & Leg. Department, Bangalore, for disposal

By Order,

No. 198 of 24-25

for Private Secretary
to H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

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To

His Highness

Col.Sir Sri Krishnarajendra Wodeyar Bahadur,G.C.S.I.,
G.C.I.E.,

MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

May It Please Your Highness:

The humble petitioner C.Ramachendra Rao, residing in 2nd Cross, Sampige Road, Malleswaram, Bangalore City, most respectfully beg to state as follows:

1. That I submitted a petition on 2-8-1922 to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, relative to the correspondence ending with my last application of 16-6-22 requesting sanction to appropriate S.No.67 of Ketmaranahalli Village in the Bangalore City Municipality.

2. That I purchased the said lands paying a very huge cost of 20,000 and then spent 10 thousands towards levelling and other expenses in forming roads and dividing them into blocks and other necessaries and requirements as seen in the plan prepared and filed by Mr.H.Donne, and I did all these to facilitate the City extension to diminish the overcrowding population in the present town with the full confidence and the expectation that Government also would encourage my big undertaking as Mr.Sirsi Ananda Rao also had given good hopes and assurances.

3. That in this state many of the purchasers are waiting on for years together to construct the houses, and they are in turn defeated in not getting ready sanction though they have given petitions to the Deputy Commissioner on several occasions. The Deputy Commissioner has taken no notice of the same nor even replied me nor the purchasers as the policy of Government requires to

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help the subjects and Government not even considered my hard labor and the amount I have paid towards cost and its interest accruing on the same and the - expenses incurred by me in converting the same into a town in these hard days.

4. Many sites given in worse locality than this have been used in building houses even though there is the havoc of malaria and other diseases even now and that too in the remotest corner of the Bangalore City such as Gavipur and other places which were once condemned places. I know fully well that the sites on which Mr.Puttanna Chetty and others built the houses in the end of Chamarajpet extension were full of malaria and Government after spending good deal in lacs and lacs to eradicate this dire disease and other insanitary aspects have converted that portion into a nice neat little heaven-such being the case my locality is not worse than this if only people are allowed to construct houses and live in them as the place is situated in open air, and good high level in all sanitary respects close to the City Railway Station just necessary for the human lives in good business centre with all mercantile points of view.

5. That my having undertaken this business not only cost me 40-50 thousands of Rupees in the shape of purchase converting to plots &c. benefits me and lot of other poor homeless men in having new houses and thus benefit Government also in the way of taxes without a pie expense.

6. That the present Minerva Mills very recently started their building operations have completed construction, thus afford lot of poor people the means of livelihood and abode on the premises have also spent - more than 2-3 lacs, in the same locality forms part of my place acquired for this purpose 2 years ago and -

and Government derive good taxes therefrom. Such being the case I fail to understand what makes the Government to with-hold sanction to me and to the purchasers for so long a time as this.

7. In case the Municipality permit the Dynamite Magazine to be kept close to this, is it not dangerous to the persons living in Minerva Mills and on shoving it to my side, it is not still more advisable to do so, hence it must be entirely removed and kept outside the Municipal limits and thus afford me all possible help to build 500 houses which means 10,000 Rupees income to Municipality annually without spending a single pie, but all at my cost only, only if sanction is accorded.

8. That if the Municipality (Government)with-hold sanction merely for the sake of Dynamite Magazine I feel most sorrowful to state that Government will no doubt - lose such a big sum as 10 to 15 thousand Rupees taxes by benefitting a single concern. Therefore the Magazine to be removed far off the Municipality and sanction accorded to commence construction building.

9. The Minerva Mills got place from me at a low cost and erected nice buildings and commencing work, - Whereas I to simply waste time in these unnecessary correspondences, most sorrowful.

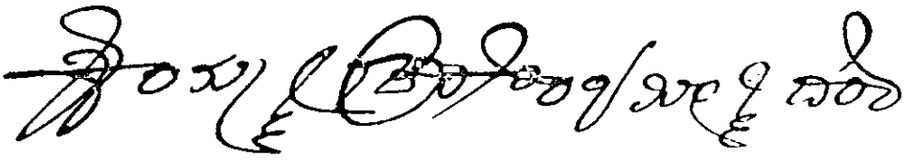
10. Besides I had been to Hyderabad (Deccan) where I came across with the Nizam throwing about 80000 acres forest to convert into town under the Development Department giving water, light, Road, Railway and all necessary for human habitation at a very cheap rate spending, lacs and lacs, such being the case I cannot get sanction in - Bangalore to construct houses at my cost; nor even encouragement to my private enterprise.

THEREFORE

THEREFORE I beg in conclusion that Your Highness' Benign Government to accord sanction on seeing this application without any more delay as at present considering the high amount I have invested on this and also towards the present improvement &c.

BANGALORE
30-8-1924.

I beg to remain,
Your Highness'
Most obedient and loyal subject,



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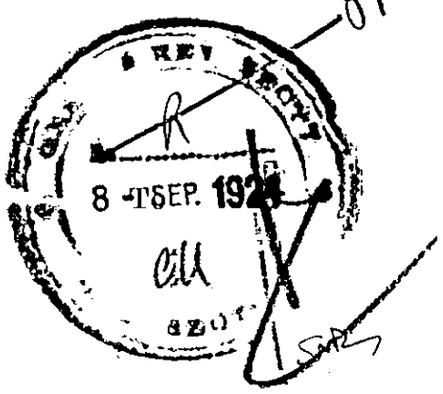
OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE.

C. No. 3228/23-24

Bangalore, 4th September 1924.

FROM

K. CHANDY ESQ., B.A.,
Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.



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The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

SIR

With reference to your letter No.I.C.1335/Geol.22-23-29 dated the 26th August 1924 calling for certain additional information in regard to the application of Nagappa and others for the conversion of S.Nos.67 and 68 of Kothamaranahalli village, Bangalore Taluk, I have the honour to forward herewith the petition and the sketch received with the Bangalore Deputy Commissioner's letter No.P.1562/21-22 dated the 28th/30th August 1924 and to state as follows:--

2. The extent and assessment of S.Nos.67 and 68 are reported to be as follows:--

Survey No.	Extent. A. - G.		Assessment. Rs. As. ps.
67	29 - 7	(Including one acre of Phut Kharab).	29 - 0 - 0
68	2 - 11	(Including 5 guntas of Phut Kharab).	8 - 8 - 0
	31 - 18		38 - 8 - 0

3. As regards the second point raised in your letter under advertence, it is reported that Ramachendra Rao, the owner of these lands, had applied for the conversion of the whole of the two survey numbers into building sites.

4. In respect of the payment of the special fine, the Deputy

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Deputy Commissioner states that there is no agreement from the present applicants, who are purchasers of small plots for building purposes, as to their willingness to pay the special fine. It is also stated that (as seen from the records submitted to Government with the Deputy Commissioner's letter No.P.1562/21-22 dated the 19th April 1924) Ramachandra Rao disposed of the sites apparently for building purposes.

5. The village Map showing the existing and the proposed sites of the Magazine in S.No.69 - marked A and B - is also enclosed herein.

6. The Deputy Commissioner further adds that the foregoing particulars are furnished from the papers available in his office, as the records have been submitted to Government.

7. This office file ending with No.D(1).Dis.352/G1.23-24 dated the 7th February 1924 also accompanies.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

Assistant Commissioner,
For Revenue Commissioner,
Absent from the station.

BR.

General and Revenue Secretariat,

D. O. No 1 : 3428 Bangalore, 17/11/22.

Secl 22-23

Dear Sir,

I am desired to inform you that the Second Member of Council will inspect the proposed site for the Nobels Explosives Magazine near the Minerva Mills at Ganeshan with the petitioners and others interested in the matter about 8-30 A.M. on Friday the 21st instant and to request you to kindly be present at the time of the inspection and also arrange for the parties concerned being present.

The favour of an acknowledgment is requested.

Yours Sincerely,

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B. Venkoba Rao, Esq., B.A.,

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

Messrs. N. Sirur & Co and the petitioners who object to the removal of the Magazine.

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GEN. & REV. SECRL. 18 NOV 1924 INDUSTRIES & COMMR

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To

K. V. Ananthanarayanan, Esq: B.A;

Sept 22-23-35

Deputy secretary, Revenue Deptt

Government of Mysore, Bangal

Honoured Sir,

With reference to our memorial dated 24-3-1924 & subsequent reminder dated 2-5-24 regarding sanctioning of building sites in survey no: 67, Kattamanna Halli, Jeswanta apura Hobli Bangalore Taluk & to remove the new magazine to a distant place, we humbly beg to state that no orders have yet been received.

2. On many occasions, we approached & represented our case to the higher authorities personally as well as through correspondence for the last 3 years. The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore, has in his endt. no: P.1562 1/24 Communicated that the conversion of survey no: 67 for building sites cannot be granted. In this connection

beg to mention that our claims of converting the agricultural lands into building sites have a better priority than the shifting of the magazine nearer to our blocks which is altogether a different question that sprung up very recently. Further, we were not informed by the authorities about its removal to the proposed place. We are about 100 in number who have already paid heavy sums of money amounting to Rs 20000/- for the plots. As we could not recover anything out of the amounts referred to, above, from the landlord viz C. Ramachandra Rao, for reasons mentioned in our memorial d) 24-3-24, M. we are put in great loss, difficulties miserable & helpless condition and still paying a heavy interest for more than 3 years without any advantage for the money invested for the sites. (+ duly registered documents in our possession)

In lieu the authorities take pity on us (poor poor subjects) and render us all possible assistance in granting us

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permission to build houses we shall be utterly ruined with these hard and famine days.

M 3. In our memorial dated 24.3.? we requested the authorities for a stay order for the construction of the new magazine till the final orders are passed. The magazine work which was held in abeyance for some months is now in progress without any trial decision. We therefore are humbly beg to request Your honour to reconsider our old claim & kindly pass favourable order in our appeal for the construction of houses & thus protect us from the endless worries & troubles.

4. For which act of kindness and charity, we shall feel ever grateful.

We beg to remain
Honoured Sir,
Your most obedient servants
C. V. Subbaiya & others

Address
C. V. Subbaiya
12 Clerks Pete B
Bangalore

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GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
19 NOV 1924
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
BRANCH.

Genl, 22 Cy
Bangalore
16th November 24

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K. K. Srinivasa Iyengar Esq; M.A;
Secretary to Council,
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Most Honoured Sir

With reference to our memorial dated 24-3-(Cy) 24 & subsequent one dated 2-5-(Cy) 24 requesting permission to build houses in Survey No: 67, Kathamanahalli, Bangalore Taluq & to shift the present magazine to a distant place, we humbly beg to state that no orders have yet been received

2. On several occasions, we approached & represented our case to the higher authorities personally as well as through the Correspondence for the last 3 years. The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Division, Bangalore, has, however, in his endorsement No: D/1562 1921-22 / 1.4.24 communicated that the conversion of Survey No: 67 for building sites cannot be granted. In this connection, we humbly beg to mention that our Claim of converting the agricultural

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Bangalore

16th November 22

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GEN. & I'CY. SECRETARI
19 NOV 1924
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
BRANCH.

K. R. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., M.A;
Second member of Council,
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Most Honoured Sir,

With reference to our memorandum dated 26-3-1923 and subsequent one dated 2-5-1923 requesting permission to build houses in Survey No: 67, Kadamanna Halli, Jadavanthapura Hobli, Bangalore Taluq and to shift the present magazine to a distant place, we humbly beg to state that no orders have yet been received.

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houses, we shall be utterly ruined in three months time.

3. In our memorials dated 24-3-1924, we requested the authorities for a stay order for the construction of the new magazine till the final orders are passed. The magazine work which was held over for some time on our memorials is now in progress without any final decision. We, therefore, humbly beg your honour that our claims may kindly be reconsidered & passed orders on our appeal for ~~Commission~~ construction of houses & thus protect us from the ruthless authorities & troubles.

4. For which act of kindness and Charity, we shall feel ever grateful

We beg to remain
Most Honoured Sir,
Your most obedient servants
M. Appajappa & others

Address

M. Appajappa
62A Veerapillay Street
C & M. Station,
Bangalore

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J.103/1924

21st Novr. 4

Dear Mr. Venkoba Rao,

With reference to our inspection of the Kethamaranahalli lands this morning, I request you to kindly direct the Amildar to send a copy of the sketch of survey No. 67 of the village which he showed us this morning, with the house sites marked therein, indicating/as I personally instructed him, the portion of the survey number which will come (1) within a radius of 590 yards from the site of the new explosive magazine under construction, (2) within a radius of 190 yards from the magazine and (3) within a radius of 95 yards from it. The area out of the survey number which will fall within each of the above limits may also be roughly calculated and noted, if possible, on the sketch. The sketch may be kindly arranged to be sent to me by next Tuesday evening.

Yours sincerely,

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No. J.C.228
23-24

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District.
Dated Bangalore, 23rd November 1924.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No.I.103/24 dated 21st November 1924, I have issued instructions to the Amildar to deliver the sketch to you on Tuesday and explain the measurements. I thought of seeing you in person on Tuesday, but as a tour programme has already been arranged and an advance party has left, I am leaving for Closepet to-morrow and trust that the Amildar will submit the sketch to you in time.

Yours sincerely,

To

K. N. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., B.A.,
Member of Council, BANGALORE.

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.

R e a d -

Correspondence ending with letter No.J.C.228 of 23-24 dated 20th March 1924 from the District Magistrate, Bangalore, forwarding copies of correspondence between himself and the Chief Inspector of Mines in the matter of the removal and rebuilding of Messrs. Nobles Explosive Magazines, Kethmarnahalli, Bangalore Taluk and requesting sanction of Government to build the Magazine on the proposed site.

2. Petitions received from Mr. Ganjam Nagappa and others objecting to the transfer of the magazine to the site selected therefor by the Deputy Commissioner and the Chief Inspector of Mines and requesting its removal to some other locality on the ground that it is too ~~clear~~ close to Survey No.67 which has been parcelled out into building sites and sold to the petitioners by the owner of it, one Mr. C. Ramachandra Rao, and that by ~~commission~~ conversion of the land into building sites ~~both~~ both Government and the Municipality will be ~~benefit~~ benefited to a great extent.

3. Letter No.P.1562 of 1921-22 dated 19th April 1924 from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, stating that on an inspection of the locality and consultation with the Chief Inspector of Mines it was found that survey numbers 67 and 68 of Kethamaranhalli village would come within the prohibited distance from the site to which the magazine was proposed to be shifted and that permission to build houses was refused as the Chief Inspector of Mines was of opinion that no building should be allowed on these as well as on the surrounding survey numbers.

4. Letter No.C.3228/23-24 dated 12th May 1924 from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore stating that in the interests of Government and the Municipality permission may be granted to the petitioners to build houses on the land in question if sanitary requirements are complied with by them and that another site farther away from this

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land might be acquired for the rebuilding of magazine.

Order No. 1.C 4560-2 - / Geol 22-23-37

Subject file Friends & Cuch Revolver Supplies

Dated, Bangalore, 8th January 1925.

The shifting of the Nobels' magazine from its original site on survey No.69 belonging to Messrs. Best and Co., to the one now proposed in the same survey number was agreed on by the District Magistrate as well as the Chief Inspector of Mines after a personal inspection of the place and no objection was taken at that time either by the petitioners or any body else. The Chief Inspector of Mines having authorised the Minerva Mills to proceed with the construction of th new magazine on the site selected by himself and the District -- Magistrate in anticipation of final approval of Government to the site, the company have made substantial progress with the work and spent some thousands of rupees on it and they cannot therefore be asked to reconstruct the magazine on another site to suit the convenience of the petitioners. Further any other site in Survey No. 69 belonging to Messrs. Best and Co., and on which the present magazine stands will be open to the same objection as the one now selected, as the two survey numbers 67 and 69 are contiguous to each other. It is also not possible to shift the magazine from survey No.69 altogether to some place far away from survey No.67 as required by the petitioners as it is not easy to find a suitable place for it elsewhere; and as even if such a site were available the petitioners will not be in a position to bear the cost of construction of a new magazine thereon, which they will have to do if it has to be -- shifted for their convenience. On a careful consideration of the foregoing circumstances, Government approve of the shifting of the magazine to the site selected by the Chief Inspector and District Magistrate on survey No. 67.

2. As regards the request of the petitioners for permission being given to them for building houses on the land, viz. survey No 67, the distance that has, under the rules, to be left clear of dwelling houses in respect of the magazine in question which is

licensed for 12,000 lbs. is 590 yds without the consent of the occupants and 190 yards with their consent. As the new magazine is to be provided with a ramp Government consider it will be quite sufficient and safe if it is kept clear of buildings for a distance of 190 yards. The extent that falls within this radius will be only 5 acres 10 guntas out of 29 acres 7 guntas comprised in survey number 67, and excluding this area which may be treated as falling within the forbidden zone, permission may be given for the appropriation of the remaining portion of the survey no. for building purposes on recovery of the fine prescribed therefor under the existing rules, provided that no buildings should be allowed to the west of the road which has been formed on survey 67 parallel to and at a distance of about 100 yards from the halla forming the boundary between survey No. 67 and 69. The persons who wish to build houses on survey no.67 should also be required to execute a mutchalika in writing to the effect that they have no objection to the existance of the magazine in the site where it is now being rebuilt and that they will bear any additional cost which may have to be incurred by the Minerva Mills company for raising the ramp round the magazine to a height sufficient to afford protection to the houses on survey No.67.

Fair draft

S. Narayanarao

for Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department.

No. 9 G

To

The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, returning the records.

The Chief Inspector of Mines.

The District Magistrate, Bangalore, returning the records.

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Section Genl.

File No. 22-28

Serial No. 37

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read—

Correspondence ending with letter No. J. C. 228 of 23-24 dated 20/3/24 from the District Mag. Bangalore, forwarding copies of correspondence between himself and the Chief Secretary to Govt. in the matter of the removal of Mr. Reburding Order Thereon No.

Nobels' Explosives Mfg Co Ltd, Kethamma-halli, Bangalore-Taluk and, requesting cancellation of Govt. to -

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to build the to aggrieved on the proposed site.

(2) Petitioners received from Mr. Gaujean [illegible] objecting to the grant. [illegible] a certain piece of land on the proposed site to be [illegible] to Mr. C. Rawlinson Esq. [illegible] if the building [illegible] and that by conversion of the land, into burial ground [illegible] and the Commissioners [illegible] benefited to a great extent, and respectfully that permission may be granted to them to build houses on the same and that the

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same encroachment may be removed to some other place.

(3) - Letter No. P. 1662 of 1921-22 dated 19.4.22 from the Dy. Comr, Bangalore stating that on an inspection of the locality and consultation with the Chief Inspector of Mines it was found that Survey Nos. 67 & 68 of Kethamaranahalli village would come within the prohibited distance from the pale to which the encroachment was proposed to be extended and that permission to build as an Asst Dy Mr's opinion was of opinion no houses was refused by the Govt. No buildings should be allowed on these as well as on the surrounding Survey Nos

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12.6.24 from the Rev. court
Mysore stating that in the
interests of Govt. & the Municipality
permission may be granted
the petitioners to build
houses on the land in question
& sanitary requirements
are complied with by them
and that another plot further
away from the land might
be acquired for the public library
& Magazine

Order thereon

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The Petitioners of the Nobles
magazine from its original
site to the site now proposed in the same survey number was
on S.N. 69 belonging to Messrs Day & Co
agreed
~~suggested~~ by the Asst Engr as well as
the Chief Inspector of Mines
after a personal inspection
the place and no objection

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was ~~passed~~ taken ab that time either by the petitioners or anybody else; it ~~was~~ The chief engineer's memorandum ~~after the case was~~ ~~that the petitioners~~ came forward with ~~their~~ ~~proposal~~ ~~representations~~, the memorandum ~~was~~ ~~agreed~~ to proceed with the construction of the new bridge on the site selected by ~~them~~ ~~their~~ surveyors of the dist. memorandum of the former engineer ~~They have made~~ further ~~to date~~ the company have made substantial progress with the work and spent some thousands of pounds on it and they cannot therefore be asked to ~~reconsider it~~ reconstruct the ~~may a case on any~~ ~~about site since the~~ construction of the bridge. Further any other site in no way belonging to Messrs Best & Co's or the whole the present bridge and line stands will be open to the same

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...position as the one now
Selected ... on the two sites 67, 69 as compared with Encls Nos
~~following. It will not also~~
It is also not ~~[illegible]~~ possible
~~to~~ to ~~select two sites~~ shift the magazine from the
~~proposed site~~ site No 69 altogether to some place
~~specifically selected~~ far away
from site No. 67) ~~substitute the shifting of the magazine~~ for
the magazine from site No. 69 as it is not easy to find some suitable site in the locality
~~alternative would be to build~~
so, and even if suitable
sites were available, the
ratepayers ~~will~~ would be unwilling
to bear the cost
construction of a new
magazine thereon as they
would have to do if it was to
be shifted for their convenience
— on a careful consideration
the foregoing circumstances
~~and on a personal inspection~~
~~in conjunction with the~~ ~~officers~~
out. Cost of the shifting
the magazine to the site
decided by the Chief Inspector
Asst. Mag. in S. No. 67.

2. As regards the request
the ratepayers for permission

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being given to them for building houses on the land, say S-2a-0.67 the distance that has, under the rules, to be left clear of dwelling houses in respect of the magazine which is licensed for 12,000 lbs is 50 Eds without the consent, the ~~factor~~ exemptions 190 Eds with their consent. As the new magazine is to be bounded with a ramp. Govt. considers it will be quite sufficient & safer if it is kept clear of buildings, for a distance of 190 Eds. The extent to which the rules may be relaxed will be only 5 acres — 10 acres of 29-7 comprised in S.2a-0.67, and excluding those areas which may be treated.

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allow: within the forbidden
ne, permission may be
given for the appropriation
the remaining portion of
e f. no. for building purposes
- recovery of the fine prescribed
except under the existing
rules. It is proposed that no building
shall be allowed in the area which has been ~~[illegible]~~ formed in 67
parallel to ~~[illegible]~~ as a distance 2 acres 10 gds
from the water front in boundary acc^n s.no. 67 & 69

[The suggestions of the C.D. of mins. referred to in the Members minute of 19/4-917 have not been overlooked in the Sch., as no area has been proposed therein]

SMR 27/11 Secy: to Govt
Rev: depty

To

The Rev: Comm^r in reference returning the records, Chief Inspector of Mines West Coast Bangalore, returning the records.

The persons who were to build houses in s.no 67 should also be required to execute a written undertaking to which the Govt have no objection to the Govt in the form now in use if it now being revised & they will then only be allowed access to the area for the purpose of the Mines Rules &c. for using the ramp across the property & to keep support & afford protection to houses on s.no 67

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letter no. J. C. 228 of 23-2
dy 20-3-24, from the Asst
Secy. Bangalore, forwarding
copies of correspondence
between the Chief Inspector of
in the matter of
Khan Bahadur
of Nabob's Estate
Kelamangalam
encroachments,
Bangalore
and requesting
sanction of Govt to building
Order Thereon No. regarding
(3) Letter no. P. 1562 of 21-22
dy 19-6-24 from the
stating
that on enquiry
of the locality and consulta
tion with the Chief Inspr

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it was found that

of Survey Nos. 67+68
of Kottamar an inhabited village
would come within the
prohibited distance from
the site to which the magazine
was proposed to be shifted & that permission to build was
refused as
no building should be allowed
on these sides as on the
surrounding Survey Nos.
Petitioners
Ther. Ganjam Nagalakshmi and others
state that they
have a pucca house on the
land to which the magazine
is proposed to be shifted,
as stated above, purchased
it from one Ner. C. Ramachandra
Reddy and converted it into a tiled
house that by conversion of the
site into building
Site No. 67, into building
Sites both Govt. & the
Municipality will be
benefited to a great extent
& requesting that permission may be
accorded to them to build a house on that the
magazine may be removed
to Sonnaveripalem

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(4) Letter No. C. 3228/23-24
dt. 6-7-24 from the Revl. Collr.
Nagpur stating that
in the interests of Govt. & the
Municipality permission can

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The shifting of the Powder magazine from its original site to the new proposed was proposed ~~after~~ by the Asst Engr & the Chief Engr of Mines after a personal inspection of the place and no objection was taken at the time either by the Police or anybody else ~~at the time~~; it was only after the new site was selected that objections were brought forward with their present ~~application~~. The new rules having been issued ~~by the Chief~~ ~~Secretary~~ forward with the Consent of the new magazine in the selected by the Chief Engr of Mines & Asst Engr they have made such progress with the work & spent some thousands on it - they cannot remove it. Besides this site is 6.9 [illegible] Mines Bost etc as much the present magazine stands under open

may be granted to the petitioners to build them on the land on Greatness of ~~the~~ ~~applicants~~ ~~abandoning~~ ~~requirements~~ are complied with by them and that another part further away from the lines land might be acquired for the rebuilding of the magazine ~~the~~ ~~destruction~~

Interference

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~~no application received~~ ~~application~~ ~~of the Treasury~~ ~~a~~ ~~on a~~ careful perusal of the records connected with the removal & rebuilding of the Powder magazines Govt. are pleased to direct that the magazine ~~may be~~ should be shifted to the Selected site in S.No. 67 of the village and approved by the Asst

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magistrate & the Chief Inspector of Explosives that magazines to be reconstructed should be provided with a ramp so that it may be kept clear of buildings for a distance of 190 ft and provided new magazines are covering an area of 15A-10R comprised in S. No. 67

2) Sanction is also accorded to the appropriation of the remaining portion of the S. No. 67 comprising of 23A-37R and granted to the ryots in question for building purposes on the recovery of the fines imposed thereon under the rules.

2. As regards the request of the persons for permission to build dwelling houses on the said site it has been explained that, which belongs to the Zamindar Raja was divided & allotted into building sites for the said purpose and that no one should be allowed to put up any building on the said site without the permission of the Collector & inspection of the Chief Inspector of Explosives who was to ensure that no building should be put up within the distance prescribed under the rules, that is 190 ft from the magazine in question which is licensed for 2000 lb is to be erected without the consent of the occupants of the dwelling houses in which the magazine is situated. As the new magazine is to be provided with a ramp the Collector considers it unnecessary to insist upon the distance of 190 ft being kept clear of buildings for a magazine of that size which would only require a distance of 90 ft to be kept clear of buildings.

Revenue Department

To

The Collector of Bellary.

Rev. dept. 8

Letter No. 1249 dated 25-1-19

Sanctioning the reconstruction of magazines in S. No. 67 of Kudligi Town.

Forwarded with compliments.

By order,

Secretary to Government.

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To

The Rev. Canon ...

... returns
the records ...
Chief Inspector
of Mines

District Inspector
Bangalore
returning the Records